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Frostie recovering

Frostie, the 4-month-old cat found inside a Belleville dumpster last week, is recovering at the Michigan Humane Society in Westland.

The cat's paws are badly damaged, and it may lose the tips of her ears, the prognosis for recovery is good, according to Michele Mitchell of the MHS.

A \$1,000 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for dumping the animal in the trash container during the sub-freezing weather. Call (313) 872-3400.

Happy birthday!

The Summit on the Park will celebrate its one-year anniversary from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 1.

There is no charge to attend the birthday party events, including two magic shows at 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. in the Parkview Room. There will also be an art workshop and informational displays.

Donors sought

On Feb. 15, from 8:30 a.m. until noon, an Organ Donor Workshop will be presented at the Annapolis Park Church of Christ, 30355 Annapolis Road, Westland.

Tammy Seceman of the Organ Procurement Agency will answer questions and provide information.

Karen Duiguid of the American Red Cross will discuss bone marrow transplants and the process of becoming a marrow donor.

Winter Fest opens

Westland's annual Winter Fest opens Friday and continues through the weekend with most activities centering around the Bailey Center.

Ice sculpture demonstrations will be staged on Feb. 1 and 2 in front of the Bailey Center. Skating events and entertainment will be featured.

Cookies on sale

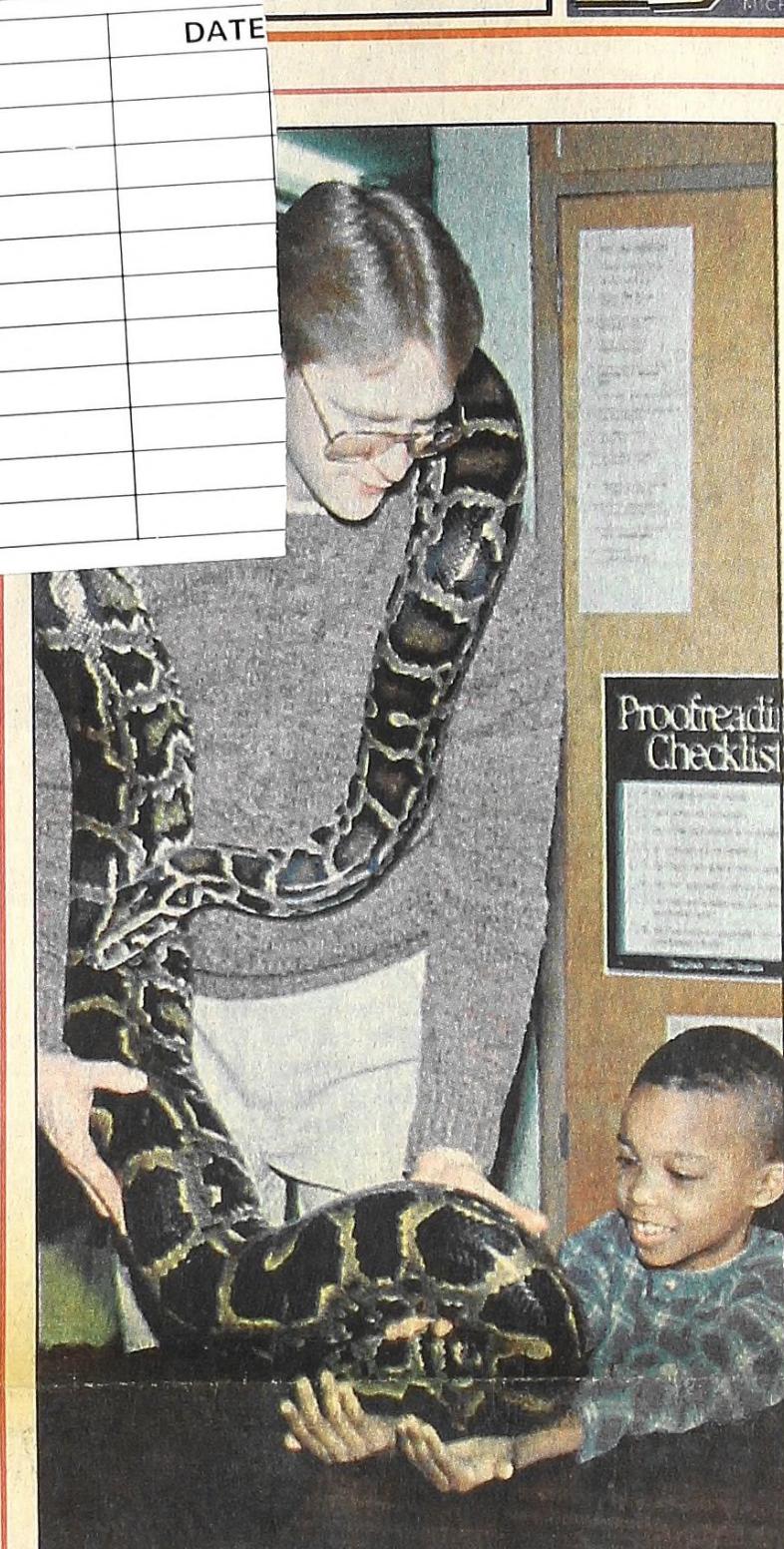
Area Girl Scouts will be taking orders for cookies through March 23.

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Boy meets boa

Todd Holden (left), of the Living Science Foundation, introduces a Vandenburg Elementary School pupil to a 12-foot boa constrictor during a rain forest exhibit. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Romulus teen killed by car

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The body of a 19-year-old Romulus High School senior was identified last Friday more than 12 hours after he was struck and killed while walking in the middle of Tobeine road Thursday night, police said.

The victim was identified as Earl Robert Keyser Jr., son of Kayleen and Earl R. Keyser of Romulus. His identification was delayed because of the fact that he had only school papers in his possession. The Keyser family moved to Romulus last September from New York, police reported.

The motorist involved, Brien Nelson, 29, also of Romulus, finally surrendered to Romulus police on Saturday morning. He appeared before 34th District Court Judge Henry Zaborowski on Monday on

charges of negligent homicide and failure to stop at a personal injury accident.

Nelson was released after posting \$50,000 bail (10 percent). A preliminary examination date has been set for Feb. 5.

The damaged vehicle was recovered from a Canton business garage, Huggins said.

Sgt. Huggins said the victim was walking in the middle of the street toward a friend's house in an effort to return a pair of borrowed trousers, when the mishap occurred.

Huggins said Nelson's car apparently was passing another slower moving vehicle when it struck Keyser and threw his body into the air. The victim was apparently killed instantly. He was pronounced dead a short time later at the scene.

Mary Banks' Park dedication set May 17

The official dedication of "Mary Ann Banks Memorial Park" has tentatively been set for noon May 17 (her birthday), City Recreation Director Debbie Dick revealed Monday.

The park-formerly known as Kennedy Park—adjacent to the Romulus Wesleyan Church on Goddard Road, recently

was selected for renaming by the City Council.

Mrs. Banks for many years served as a secretary in the Romulus Community School District and as Mayor pro tem of Romulus.

Mrs. Banks died of cancer in 1995.

'Bridge to 21st century' may be detoured through courts

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Detroit Metro Airport's billion dollar connection to President Clinton's "bridge to the 21st Century" is in danger of hitting a serious snag in coming days and could be diverted to Michigan courts, Romulus city officials warned Monday night.

Mayor William Oakley and most council members are deeply disturbed by Wayne County efforts to ignore the Romulus building permit cycle and thus eliminate the potential payment of about \$1 million to the city with the planned construction of more than a billion dollars worth of improvements at the airport.

Oakley, ever cautious with Romulus revenue dollars, told council members Monday that "to date the only major difference we have had with the county is issues relating to the airport.

Potentially the range of differences could widen substantially depending on how we

handle these permit issues," he said.

Because Oakley realizes the city may have to legally contest county actions, he has called a meeting on Monday with State Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton) and County Commissioner Bruce Patterson (R-Canton) to discuss the city's possible options.

What irks veteran Councilman William Wadsworth the most is that while Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara and the county commissioners are tapping into the Romulus permit market at the airport, they plan to allow Detroit city government to continue to exercise permit rights and collect fees on pending sports stadium constructions in coming years.

"To me that is a kick in the teeth for the city of Romulus," Wadsworth said.

Freshman Councilman William Crova was the most pointed in his comments about the county's actions.

"This greatly upsets me," Crova said, "and I feel it is

time for the city to draw the line in the sand...time to fight."

He told Oakley "I strongly support your effort to rectify this problem and feel we should seek an injunction (to halt any airport construction) or take any other action we need to take."

Oakley promised to consult the council before he hires any law firm to handle the city's side in the pending legal battle.

Patterson already is at loggerheads with McNamara and his airplane noise czar Sean Brosnan over what he perceives as the slowness of county action to mitigate such noises impacting Romulus and Huron Township residents.

Patterson called an anti-noise meeting in Huron Township last October attended by other 600 persons.

Last Thursday activists that met at that earlier meeting accepted committee chairmanships for the citizen group.

New Army commanders set to direct move to new site

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The new commanders of the Romulus Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Center—Majors Brian and Kay Merritt—were introduced to the Army's Advisory Council earlier this month.

The veteran Salvation Army officers began their local assignments facing two priorities: getting the new men's rehabilitation center and thrift store opened at Van Born and Middlebelt roads in coming months and opening a new thrift store on Michigan Avenue in Wayne.

Merritt, who has worked with the Salvation Army for 41 years, said he and his wife have known both Majors Roger and Cecilia Senn (past Romulus commanders) and Major Howard Petts (interim commander) for many years.

The Merritts have been assigned to the Salvation Army's

headquarters in the Chicago area in recent years, but asked to be returned to duty at a major rehabilitation center at this point in their careers.

Both expressed a great deal of love for the challenges involved in returning substance abuse victims to their families, jobs and productive lifestyles.

Merritt told the Advisory Council he is strongly hopeful that the new Salvation Army center's dedication can be conducted on Palm Sunday March 23.

He expects the Salvation Army facilities to be transferred from its current Goddard road shortly before that dedication time.

The Army is being forced to move from the Goddard road location (where they have served for the past quarter of a century) because of Detroit Metro Airport expansion. The Goddard road property was purchased by Wayne County more than a year ago.

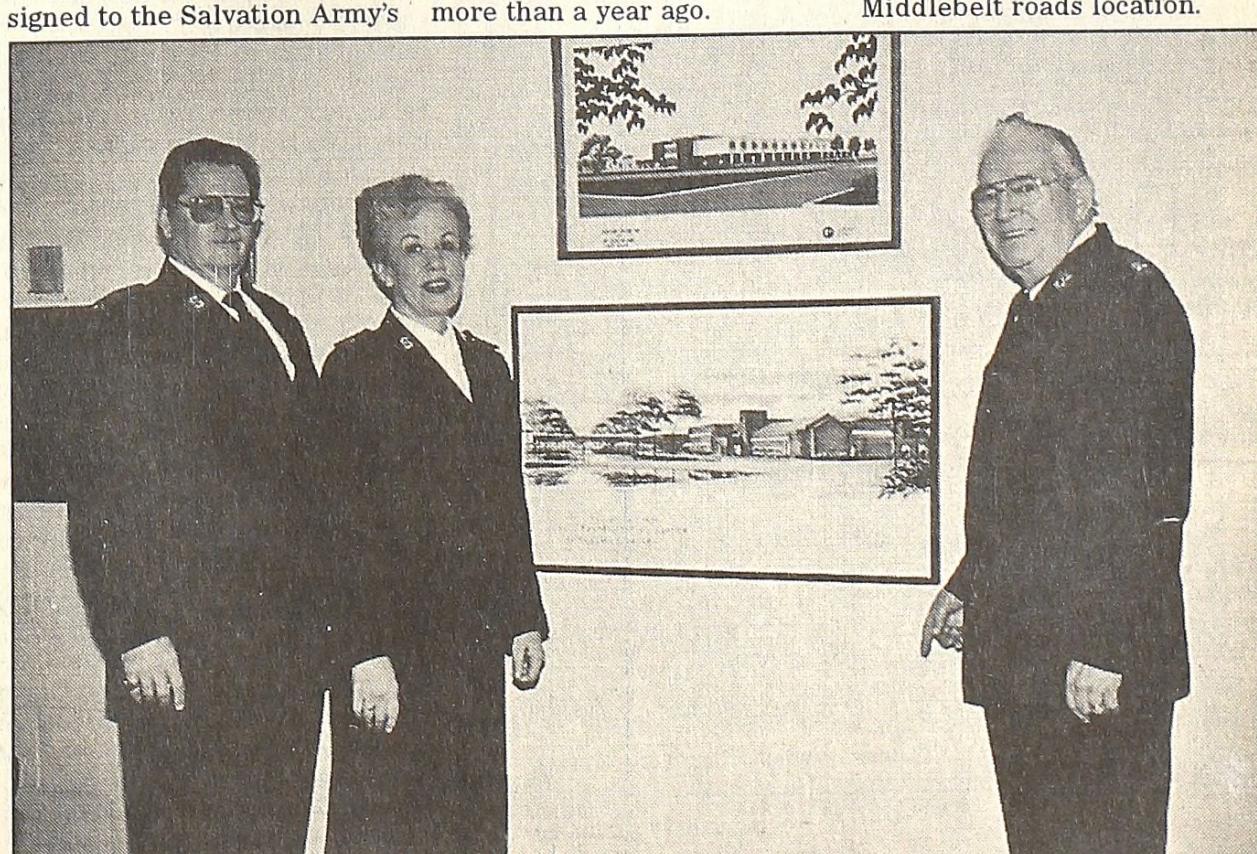
The new \$7 million Salvation Army project has had numerous construction problems and is now about 10 months behind schedule, Merritt said.

The Romulus Salvation Army also manages eight thrift stores in the western Wayne area including ones in Romulus and Wayne.

The Romulus thrift store will be moving to the Van Born-Middlebelt location and the Wayne store is expected to be relocated shortly from Wayne Road to Michigan avenue (next to the new Sav-a-Lot discount food store). Both sites are considered prime commercial sales zones.

Petts, who has been interim commander here since mid-1996, is a retired Salvation Army officer, who occasionally is given short term assignments. He retired back in 1988.

Merritt told the Advisory Council he is hopeful that the unit's next meeting in February can be at the Van Born-Middlebelt roads location.



Interim Romulus Salvation Army Commander Major Howard B. Petts (right) greeted and later introduced the new Adult Rehabilitation Center Commanders Majors Brian and Kay Merritt to the unit's Advisory Council recently. The officers are shown flanking an artist's conception of the new Romulus facilities that are expected to open in the next two months. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Winterfest fun drew crowds to Wayne event

WINTERFEST CELEBRATION has come and gone so the Recreation Department and staff is taking a well-deserved rest. In fact, Jeff Rutter reported he was taking the next two weeks off for "rest and recuperation."

PICTURE ROAD RALLY was a lot of fun for the contestants and especially for the winners of the cash prizes.



Great to live
in Wayne
Sharon
Popek

They included Wendy Bostwick, Ronald Bostwick, Peggy Gardella and David Gibson in

CITY OF WAYNE NOTICE

The City of Wayne will construct an equalization basin to temporarily store flows that exceed the City's contract sewer capacity with Wayne County. This increased flow is caused by stormwater inflows into the sewer system during rain storms. The equalization basin is sized to handle the projected inflow from a design storm of a 25 year return period and a 24 hour duration. The volume of the basin is 2.3 million gallons. The basin will require an area of approximately 220 feet by 125 feet. The proposed site is in a section of the Wayne County Park along the Lower Rouge River, north of Michigan Avenue, east of Josephine Street, in "Dynamite Park". The basin will be operated by correlating flow meter readings from seven locations within the Wayne County Interceptor System and the City of Wayne Sewer System. The basin pumps will operate automatically, based upon the meter readings. The site will be fenced and secured to maintain the public safety. If you have any questions or any concerns regarding this important project, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Ramzi El-Gharib, City Engineer, at (313) 728-9100 or Mr. Phil Loud of Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May at (313) 761-1010.

Doris Nall, City Clerk

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CITY OF ROMULUS MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD JANUARY 6, 1997

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Pro Tem, William Wadsworth

Present: Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth

Absent: None

Excused: Crova, Gear

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

William Oakley, Mayor

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

James Napiorkowski, CMFA, Treasurer

Motion Prybyla, supported by Collins to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth, Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-001

2A. Motion by Romak, supported by Collins to approve the minutes of the Romulus City Council held December 23, 1996 as presented.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Romak, supported by Prybyla to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-002

5A. Motion by Romak, supported by Prybyla to authorize the Mayor, Clerk and Police Chief to enter into the HUD Public Housing Policing contract to provide police protection in public housing at Federal Government expense.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-003

5B1. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a contractual agreement with Lori Dubiel, Assistant Production Manager of Cable Programming.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-004

5B2. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Raspberry to adopt a resolution for Patricia Tierney, former Cable Assistant Production Manager of Cable Programming, acknowledging her years of service to the City of Romulus.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-005

5C. Motion by Collins, supported by Romak to grant authorization to let bids for five handguns for the Police Department.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-006

5D. Motion by Romak, supported by Collins to grant authorization to let bids for a Voice Messaging System for the Police Department.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-007

5E. Motion by Romak, supported by Collins to grant authorization to accept bids for the sale of one Mueller C-1 Model No. 25 Drilling Machine.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to accept the Mayor's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Frybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-008

6A1. Motion by Collins, supported by Prybyla to approve the second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 96/97-5 introduced at the meeting of December 23, 1996.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

11. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held January 6, 1997.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

City of Romulus, Michigan

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the winning car. They received \$75 to split between them.

Ann Reynolds, Joan Solarz, Mark Solarz, Greg Reynolds and Kathleen Mulholland were in the car which received the second prize of \$50.

Robert Boertje, Gary Smoes, Tom Dobrowolski, Jean Smoes and Lynn Boertje were in the car which earned third prize. Congratulations!

WAYNE POLICE AND FRIENDS beat the Livonia Police Department by a score of 3-2 in the 4th annual Hockey Game. Both teams had won a game and they had tied one so I won't say this was a "grudge" match, but it was very important for the players and their honor.

John Colligan received an "assist" which made him very happy, according to his wife, Pat.

Goals were scored by Paul Bernier (Prosecuting Attorney's office), Jack McIntosh of the Westland Police and Eric Kapelanski of the Redford Police Department. They are all part of the "friends" of the Wayne Police. Brian Wojcik of the Wayne Department was an

outstanding player and Kevin Foley's son, Richard, 14, who is a member of the Bantam League, played goalie and provided a couple of "great saves."

"Every child who attended walked away with some sort of prize or memento," reported DARE Officer Ed Johnson. The next event will be the annual basketball game between Wayne Police and Wayne-Westland Teachers at 7 p.m. Feb. 26 in the WMHS Alumni Arena.

CASINO NIGHT CRUISE featured entertainment by the Goldtones, snowman races and the casino. One of the big winners will Bill Hamilton who won \$72. We also had some of our local talent perform - both Bobby Fallow and Larry Long sang. Great job, too!

IT WAS SO COLD THAT many of those registered for the Polar Pet Parade didn't show up. Hats off to these kids and their dogs: Carol Ann Seever and Sara, Kim Domine and Mazi, Cory Cobe and Shelby, Allison Areida and Boop and Becky Knight and Maggie.

ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 97-03 JANUARY 22, 1997

Special meeting of the City Council held January 22, 1997 at 7:33 p.m. All members present. Held discussion of Fiscal Year '97-'98 goals with City Manager. Called special meeting for February 5, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. to continue discussion. Adjourned at 11:17 p.m.

Doris A. Nall, City Clerk

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CITY OF ROMULUS PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED CHANGES TO ZONING TEXT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Act Number 207, Public Acts of 1921, as amended, that a public hearing will be held by the City of Romulus Planning Commission at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 18, 1997 in the City Council Chambers, Romulus City Hall, 11111 S. Wayne, Romulus, MI 48174.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the purpose of the public hearing is to hear and consider public comments on proposed zoning text amendments to regulate long-term parking facilities in the RC Regional Center Zoning District.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the proposed text amendment may be examined at the City Hall, during regular office hours at 11111 S. Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 until the date of the Public Hearing.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, City Clerk

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ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 97-02 JANUARY 21, 1997

Regular meeting of the City Council held January 21, 1997 at 8:00 p.m. Members present: Phillips, McEachern, Dickerson, Haidous and Powell. Members Absent: Warfield and Dobrowolski, excused. Approved minutes of regular meeting of January 7, 1997. Presentation was made of books donated to the Wayne Public Library by the Wayne-Westland Girl Scouts and the Wayne Masonic Lodge. Presentation was made of the 1996 Holiday House Awards. Approved site plans: Market-Smart Trade School, ACS Building, 33640 Michigan Ave.; Office Building at the southeast corner of Michigan Ave. W and Clark St. Awarded bids: 3 radios with chargers, 3 spare batteries and 3 patrol vehicles for the Police Dept.; 8 ft outdoor bench, cushions and window blinds for the Senior Activity Center. APPROVED: renewal of license to operate 8 video games, 12 billiard tables and 40 bowling lanes at Wayne Bowling and Rec., Inc., 36900 Michigan Ave.; renewal of license to operate 1 billiard table at Eloise Inn, 31403 Michigan Ave.; renewal of license to operate 6 billiard tables at Beeny's Cue & Brew, 35228 Michigan Ave. W.; renewal of license to operate 1 billiard table at the Village Bar, 35234 Michigan Ave. W.; renewal of license to operate 1 billiard table at the 112 Bar, Inc., 39112 Michigan Ave. W.; transfer of 1996 SDM licensed business at 35454 Michigan Ave. W., contingent upon the purchaser correcting the code violations. Appointed Mayor Pro Tem Phillips as 1st alternate and City Manager Zech as 2nd alternate to the Conference of Western Wayne; re-appointed Councilman Haidous as representative to the Wayne County CDBG Program Advisory Council and Councilmen Dickerson and Powell as alternates; accepted resignations of David Kiras from the Festival Commission and Allan Seeburger from the Wayne Building Authority. APPROVED: payment to CSX Transportation for Annapolis Ave. Railroad Crossing Improvement Project; Change Order No. 1 with Guardian Electric Co. for work at the parking structure; resolution acknowledging the existence of Bandit Baseball as a local non-profit organization; Change Orders for the Aquatic Center with Cavalier Painting, Ann Arbor Fire Protection Co., John E. Green, Harrison Construction, Quadrants; Change Orders for the Community Center with Guardian Electric, Al's Asphalt Paving, Simone Construction, Erlcon Company. Change Order No. 9 with Premacon, Inc., relating to the Wayne Public Library Project; Senior Services Division purchase of 32" television for the new Senior Center; funding for the 1997 Wayne Community News show. Called a special meeting for February 4, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss assessment factors by neighborhood. Received and filed Consent Calendar and Communications and Reports. Adjourned at 8:44 p.m.



Alexis Doe, 4, gives Buzz Lightyear a hug at the Wayne Winterfest. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Award nominees sought

Nominations for the James J. Poplin Distinguished Service Award are being sought by the city of Wayne Department of Parks and Recreation.

To qualify for the award, the candidate must have spent at least five years in volunteer capacity in one or more recognized activities of the parks department.

A brief description of the candidate's achievements in recreation should be included with the information submitted.

Nominations must be submitted before Feb. 15 to Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe Road, Wayne, Mich. 48184. Attn: Recreation Advisory Board.

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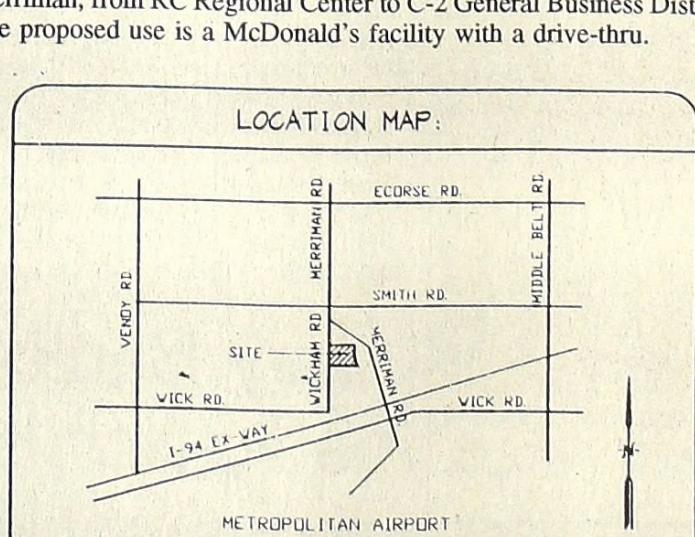
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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the purpose of the public hearing is to hear and consider public comments on proposed amendments to various sections of the Zoning Ordinance. This will be accomplished by adding sections to provide for the establishment in the City of Romulus for the regulation of the height, area, size and location of wireless communications facilities and services; to provide for the administering of this ordinance; and to provide for compliance with State and Federal Acts.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the proposed text amendment may be examined at the City Hall, during regular office hours at 11111 S. Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 until the date of the Public Hearing.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, City Clerk

Please be advised, that the City of Romulus Planning Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held Tuesday, February 18, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485. The petitioner, Frank Martin c/o Dorchen/Martin Associates, Inc. PC-001-01-97 has requested the rezoning of a .573 acre parcel, the Northerly portion of DP# 043 99 0004 000, commonly known as 8600 Merriman, from RC Regional Center to C-2 General Business District. The proposed use is a McDonald's facility with a drive-thru.



All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Tuesday, February 18, 1997 and should be addressed to Ardys D. Bennett, Building, Safety and Engineering Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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DIGEST**Student to serve as resident assistant**

Albion College junior William J. Sweeney II has selected to serve as a senior resident assistant for the 1996-97 school year. He is majoring in political science and biology.

His parents are William and Mari-Jane Sweeney of Wayne.

Area students make dean's list

The following Western Wayne County students earned a place on the dean's list at Hope College: Laurie Ellison of Wayne; Anne Roulo, Letha Harnish and Kristina Stafiej, all of Westland, and Monica Pellow, Miriam Garcellano, Rebecca Heneveld and Julie Twietmeyer, all of Canton.

Student earns college honor

Thomas Lyon of Wayne, a full-time student at Detroit College of Business, earned a place on the dean's list.

Wayne man is sergeant

Marty Brothers, son of Marshall and Darlene Brothers of Fletcher Street in Wayne, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of technical sergeant.

The Wayne Memorial High School graduate is a fuel storage supervisor at Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal.

Foundation honors employees

Detroit Edison employees honored with the Walter J. McCarthy Jr. Award in 1996 include Hui Jay Chon of Westland and Shaf Begen of Dearborn Heights, \$2,000 awarded for school math program, and David L. Oztman of Wayne, district chairman for Detroit Area Boy Scouts of America, awarded \$750 grand for council.

New school hosts parents meeting

All Saints Catholic School will hold a 7 p.m. Feb. 3 Town Hall meeting at St. Kenneth Parish for parents in the four-parish region who are considering All Saints for their children.

Information packets will be available at the meeting. Newsletter and registration forms are available by calling 459-2490.

Skating open at county parks

Ice skating rinks are open throughout the Wayne County Park System, including Lola Valley in Redford, Newburgh Lake in Livonia, Wilcox Lake in Plymouth, Perrin and Warrendale in Dearborn Heights, Nankin Mills in Westland and Inkster Park in Inkster. Call 261-1990 for skating conditions.

All rinks are open during the day, weather permitting, and Nankin Mills is lighted and open for night skating until 10 p.m.

If enough snow fall, cross country ski trails will be open at Warren Valley Golf Course in Dearborn Heights with three miles of beginner, intermediate and advanced trails. For information, call 561-9870.

Degree earned from Concordia

Jason Andrew Leimbach of Westland, son of Christine Franklin, received the bachelor of science in education degree and Lutheran teaching diploma from Concordia College, Seward, Nebraska, in December.

Concordia College-Seward, one of ten academic institutions belong to The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, is a fully accredited liberal arts college which offers five undergraduate degrees and three graduate degrees.

**Cake taster**

Miranda Lustig learned how to make a cake when her Westland pre-school class visited a bakery recently. Apparently, she enjoyed the tasting part the best. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

New principal hired for middle school

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Mary Kelley McGill, currently the assistant Wagar Middle School Principal in the Airport Community Schools District of Carleton, was hired Monday night as the new principal at Merriman School in Romulus.

McGill will begin her new position on Feb. 17, according to Dr. Sam LaMonica, human resources director of the Romulus Community Schools. She will earn a salary of \$73,209, prorated for rest of this school year.

She replaces Andrea Williams, who left the school district earlier this school year, and interim Principal Art McPharlin, who will return to a special projects position at the board office for the rest of this school year.

LaMonica, who took part in the interview sessions, said four of the 18 candidates for the position were interviewed.

He said McGill impressed the interview team with her

written credentials, teaching strategies, organizational style and her communication skills.

"She is very competent and has a 'firm but fair' management style," LaMonica said.

McGill served as an adjunct professor at Eastern Michigan University last summer and as assistant Middle School principal since 1994.

She also worked as a technology/grant coordinator at the Beacon Day Treatment Program of Wayne County RESA from 1989-1994. She formerly was a teacher of the emotionally impaired in Romulus from 1983-1989.

McGill is currently a doctoral candidate in Educational Leadership at EMU, having earned her masters in special education in 1989 from EMU and her bachelors' degree in education from CMU in 1970.

She was named Michigan Technology and Learning teacher of the year in 1994 and Michigan IBM/Technology and Learning teacher of the year in 1992.

Clark honored for volunteer work

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Long time volunteer with the Michigan Special Olympics Richard Clark of Wayne was recently inducted into the MSO's Hall of Fame.

Clark, a Wayne attorney who has worked with the MSO for 22 years, served two terms as president and one term as vice president and treasurer of the MSO Board of Directors in the past.

"I can't think of a better candidate for this award," MSO Executive Director Lois Arnold said, while discussing Clark's induction into the MSO Hall of Fame.

Also named were Roger Griffith of Fenton and Marie Slusser of Holt.

In the past Clark also has been a coach at both the state and national levels, a referee, a tournament director and even an interim area director for Area 23.

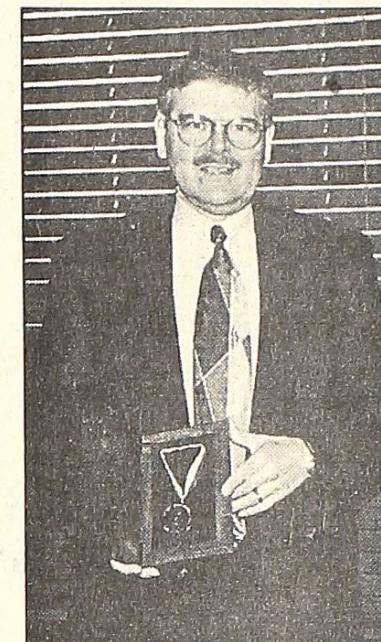
In his acceptance speech that night, Clark said his mind was flooded with memories when Arnold first told him of his being named to the MSO Hall of Fame.

He expressed great pleasure that Arnold, who was hired as a recent college graduate, has turned out to be such an "excellent administrator and leader."

Another one of Clark's memories centered on the late former Michigan Gov. George Romney, when he stopped to speak at a local recognition dinner "and involved everyone at our table in a conversation and drew from them their involvement as SO volunteers."

Clark added "as a coach I recall having basketball players who weighed about 250 pounds and yet they put on a full court press."

"But the fondest memory of



Dick Clark

my coaching experiences was when I was coaching the first junior team that our local had had in a number of years," he said.

"We had only six players and one of them because of his disability was designated to only throw the ball in bounds after the other team had scored and he had lots of chances to do that."

"We were in our third game of that year and one of our players in the second quarter scored a basket. The spectators and other team were astonished to see our players hugging and jumping up and down. I guess they did not realize that it was the first and only basket that we scored that year," Clark explained.

"The experience of Special Olympics has afforded me the opportunity to share my life with so many other people, whose ideals and goals are similar to mine," Clark said.

In his brief speech, Clark also took time out to thank his

children, Heather and Bryan, for allowing him to spend so much time away from them as they were growing up and for later becoming so focused on the need of handicapped persons.

He also thanked his wife, Beth, who "supported and encouraged me to be involved with Special Olympics. She in my opinion is more deserving of the award than I, because she not only afforded me the opportunity to take time from our family, but has been an event chairman for the Wayne County games for 20 years."

Clark closed by thanking Eunice Kennedy Shriver for having the vision that has led to the Special Olympics being conducted on such an exciting national scale.

The MSO Hall of Fame was created in 1993 to honor individuals, who have made significant longtime contributions to the special olympics.

A wall was established in the MSO office at Central Michigan University to display the annual honors.

Former Detroit Tiger player Jim Price served as master of ceremonies at the banquet honoring the three new Hall of Fame inductees.

Recently in a phone conversation, Clark said he is proud of the area's summer sports activities including the softball series that draws about 1,100 persons each year to the Canton softball area and a new activity (golf) that drew about 60 to the Little Pines Golf Range in Sumpter Township this past year.

One concluding inspiration he has gained from being involved with Special Olympics, Clark said is knowing that 200 other volunteers are out there each summer making sure that the summer sports activity is a success.

2 new courses offered to students

By LORI GILLESPIE
MCN Staff Writer

Belleville High School students will have three new choices to make in the 1997-98 school year.

Three new courses, careers, money management, and post-Renaissance humanities, have been added to the curriculum, starting in the fall. Each is a one semester, elective course.

The curriculum committee is hoping the two classes, careers, and money management, will be the shot in the arm needed by the business department. In the past years,

the department has gone from 12 instructors to five. Director of Instruction Larry Tabor explained that the two courses would serve as an introduction to the business department.

Siting the fact that, "All kids need career guidance," Tabor explained that the course will provide students with an overview of various career opportunities. But, he stressed that it will not be a job shadowing type of course, instead, there will be many guest speakers.

Money management will instruct students in how to manage their money wisely. The course is designed to teach

valuable guidelines for budgeting, banking, and investing. It will not, however, replace the record keeping course. Tabor explained that the school doesn't cut classes out until after registration, when they can look at the numbers and decide if there is enough interest.

As interest in the humanities is on the rise, post renaissance humanities has been added to the English department. The class will stress the non-western cultures and will integrate all the arts of philosophy, poetry, music, dance, drama, sculpture, painting,

Glenn Renaissance students excel

John Glenn High School recently recognized ninety-nine of its students as part of the Business and Education Renaissance Program. Winners were selected by staff on the basis of a student's improvement in the areas of academic study, attendance, community service, and classroom/school involvement.

Businesses have provided various incentives as rewards for a job well done. This semester's contributors included Burger King, Canton Fun Center, Wayne Parks and Recreation, State Wayne Theater, Red Robin Restaurant, Textron Corporation, Applebee's, WKBD TV and the John Glenn Gantry Store.

An awards presentation recognized the following students for outstanding involvement:

First marking period: On-drea Masson, Corrine Stone, Calvin Poelinitz, Julie Reichert, David Mason, Keith Clements, Alaina Arakelian, Richard Hansen, Janie Peterson, Darcy Bemis, Shay Spanos, James Koch, Kathryn Hover, Patrick Alexander, Teresa McClung, Amy Smirnow, Brad Wilkins, Lisa White, Ryan Zoumbaris, Nicole Watkins, Joe Mifsud, Boneva Needham, Melisa Hamilton, April Kundinger, Steven Matjeja, Colleen Wright, Kristine Hallwell, Crystal Hendershot.

Second marking period:

Melissa Alderton, Alaina Arakelian, Jesse Arnould, Jamie Barker, Sarah Baxter, Jason Benley, Kerry Bissell, Jessica Blanchard, Katie Booren, Keyva Bridges, John Buehner, Heather Campbell, David Collier, Christina Colosimo, Shamika Copeland, Thago Costa, Jill Cronk, Jeff DeMara, Melissa Dennett, An-

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Coalition to address senior safety

Focusing on safety concerns of Canton Township seniors is the mission of the Canton Senior Safety Coalition, headed by Canton Senior Coordinator Dianne Neihengen, Public Safety Director John Santomauro and crime prevention officer Lew Stevens.

Managers from five senior housing complexes also will serve on the coalition committee.

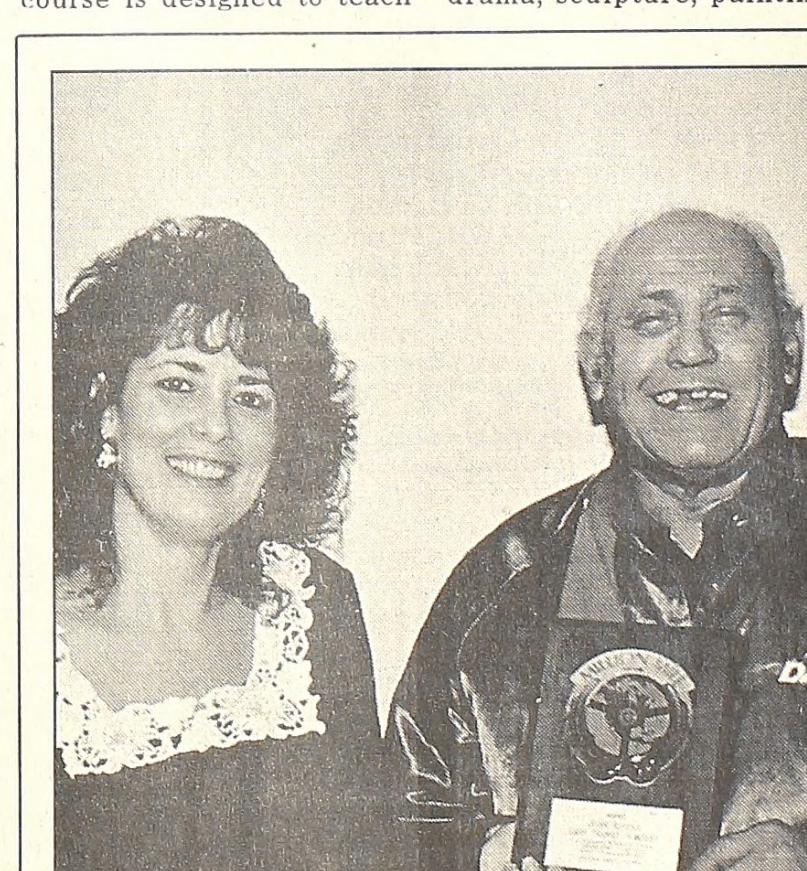
The coalition will educate seniors about crime and personal health and safety issues and alert them to acts of fraud that are often directed at seniors.

To join the coalition, call Stevens or Santomauro at 397-5350.

Benefit aids homeless pets

The Michigan Humane Society (MHS) invites people to the Eighth Annual Bow Wow Champagne Brunch at The Ritz-Carlton Dearborn April 13 from noon until 3:30 p.m.

The Michigan Humane Society is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to serving animals, since 1877. MHS operates three full-service shelters and charitable animal hospitals in the metro Detroit area.

**Driver honored**

Million mile accident-free truck driver Juan B. Rivera of Romulus was honored recently by the National Safety Council for his excellent driving record. National Safety Advisor Coleen Cherry, who presented the award, said Rivera drives 100,000 miles per year to deliver freight in 48 of the 50 states. Rivera is an independent professional trucker, who operates his own business under contract with DART Transit Co. of St. Paul, Minn. He was inducted into DART's Hall of Fame in 1993. MCN Special Photo

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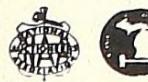
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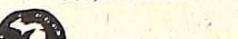
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Private sector expertise extended to minority businesses

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER
MCN Managing Editor

Henry Washington is bringing his business expertise from the private sector to coordinate a state program to expand minority businesses through mergers, joint ventures, partnerships and buy-outs.

On Thursday morning, he introduced his program to members of the Inkster Local Development Company (ILDC) at their monthly meeting.

While Washington is based in Detroit, he sees Inkster as part of his area and one that could benefit from his expertise in bringing businesses together for their mutual benefit.

Washington said there are five critical areas for business:

"First, there is time. The clock is ticking from the moment you decide to start a business," he said. "Two other things that can destroy a business are lack of resources and lack of information. If you don't have the resources, you must hook up with someone who does. And, if you don't

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- Henry Washington

have the information, you must find someone with expertise in the area.

"A fourth problem for business is taking it too personally - not wanting to take in partners, wanting to keep it all under one's control," Washington said, adding that 51 percent of a successful company may yield profits many times greater than a 100 percent owned business without sufficient resources and expertise.

Lastly, Washington encouraged business people to diversify. He noted that after Titan Wheel purchased many wheel-related firms, it went into tire manufacturing businesses.

Washington said the Detroit area is attracted by "Automatism," but because the auto industry has large upward and downward swings, it does not

bring in stable revenues.

"We didn't go after businesses already committed to the Big Three automakers, we went after companies that manufactured wheels for tractors, trucks and farm machinery," he said, noting that Titan found its niche in an area where they had a minimum of competition.

"Buy businesses that are compatible with what you make," Washington advised. "If you're in the funeral business, buy a business that makes handkerchiefs."

Washington also advised business people to be aware of time.

"If you have an appointment at 8 o'clock, be there at 7:45, and stay until the end. Timing is important. Be aware of when and how you make state-

ments," Washington said.

Last December, the U.S. Department of Commerce in cooperation with the University of Detroit/Mercy, announced that Washington had taken the position of executive director of Detroit Minority Business Opportunities Council (MBOC).

Goal of the MBOC is to facilitate the minority business community to become a more viable contributor to the global economy and augment both opportunities and capacity for success.

Washington was recruited from private industry to facilitate the MBOC goal of combining minority and non-minority businesses in joint ventures and buy-outs that take advantage of the strengths and marketing advantages of the partners.

The successful techniques that he used at Titan Wheel will be brought to the Detroit area by Washington. He worked with CEO Morry Taylor, who was a Republican presidential candidate before dropping out of the race in New Hampshire, to build Titan Wheel into the world's



Henry Washington (left) was presented with a plaque after his speech to members of the Inkster LDC by David EnDyke (right). Inkster Councilwoman Wanda Harris-Foster is in the center. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

largest supplier of wheels for small trucks and off-road vehicles.

"Businesses must realize that successful techniques have no color except Green," Washington said. "My job is to bridge the color gap so that joint ventures between minority and majority firms can bridge the economic gap. My timetable is to have at least five joint ventures in operation within 150 days and I wel-

come any Inkster industrial business that seeks to expand its market."

Officers of the ILDC are Clyde Alexander, president; Lee Day, vice president, and David EnDyke, secretary treasurer.

The Inkster Local Development Company meets at 8:15 a.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at Andy's Town Lounge, 26660 Michigan Ave., Inkster.



Romulus Middle School Industrial Arts teacher Frank Zarzycki displays one of the wooden wagons he and his students made prior to the Christmas holidays to raise \$1,000 for the Helping Hand Thrift Shop. Florence Klein, left, and her assistant Phyllis Bolus, were on hand at the school to accept the donation. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloski

Wagon sales aid Romulus thrift shop

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Romulus Middle School Industrial Arts teacher Frank Zarzycki knows how to motivate his students.

Zarzycki (aided by about 40 of his students) created 50 bright red decorative miniature wooden wagons for the holiday season and then sold them to fellow teachers, maintenance personnel, administrators and even high school students before the Christmas holidays.

The veteran teacher then began the 1997 year, surrounded by about 40 students, by presenting a \$1,000 check to Romulus Helping Hand Thrift Store operator Florence Klein and her assistant, Phyllis Bolus.

The Helping Hand lives up to its name and provides low cost food, clothing, baby supplies and clothing to needy residents all year round.

The store has grown such a reputation that many needy persons from surrounding towns also stop by for some needed family products.

Zarzycki said "we have had Santa's Workshop opportunities at the Middle School for numerous years, but in the past students just made some projects for their own use."

This year with the encouragement of Kathy Hurst, coordinator of Project SERVE at Romulus High School, the idea was hatched to make the wagons this year for the Helping Hand store.

Zarzycki himself and others donated the wood used in the wagon production program and the paint was purchased to complete the projects. Project SERVE donated some funds and a lot of spirit.

"The students (both male and female) were really enthusiastic about working on the project from about Thanksgiving on," the proud industrial arts teacher said.

"They used all the free hours they could muster to help out and sought no reward in return. It is one of the few times I have seen schools (via their students) give back to their community," he said.

"Last year we donated \$500 to the Helping Hand. This year through this project we were able to double that amount

and actually could have sold many more wagons if they were available," Zarzycki said.

The side benefit is that these students were able to learn to do things on a production line basis and helped them decide if they ever want to get involved in a factory style job.

"They just love working with their hands," Zarzycki said and then joked, "sometimes I have to threaten them to get back to their book work."

Thrilled with the success of his wagon program, Zarzycki said he now has a group of students working on pilot program entitled "Habitat for Hounds" in which dog houses will be constructed and donated to the city's animal control officer for use by needy family's pets.

Service news reported

The following Western Wayne County residents, now serving in the Navy recently returned from an assignment which took them to Egypt, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Romania, Spain, Turkey and the Ukraine.

Marine Lance Cpl. Clemente Herrera of Westland, Lance Cpl. Ronald Cullen of Wayne, Pfc. Thomas Mitchell of Wayne, Cpl. Michael Schut of Canton, and Marine Kirk Thompson of Westland re-

cently returned from six-month deployments in the Mediterranean Sea aboard the USS Saipan.

Herrera is a Franklin High School graduate; Cullen, the son of Ronald Cullen, is a Plymouth-Salem graduate; Mitchell, son of Bernas and Geraldine Mitchell, is a Wayne Memorial High School graduate; Schut is a Plymouth-Salem graduate, and Thompson, son of Sharon Wallen, is a Franklin High School graduate.

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The Michigan Boating Industries Association (MBIA), sponsor of the Detroit Boat Show, will host the world's first traveling live shark show at

this year's boat show. The shark tank will be located in the exhibit hall and be on display during show hours.

Sea World of Ohio will be transforming Cobo Center into its famous Pirate Island during the Boat Show, including an encounter with stingrays in the "Pirate Island Lagoon."

"In the middle of winter, people can come to the Detroit Boat Show and get a taste of the tropics at Sea World's 'Pirate Island' exhibit," said

Snider. "This is a unique opportunity to see these attractions right here in Michigan, and receive a sneak preview of Sea World's latest attraction before it is even shown at the park."

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D.C. visitors

Joe and Frances Midcof of Canton (top photo, left) join Marie Johnson of Wayne and Rosie and Pedro Ruiz in front of the Capitol Building when they arrived to attend President Clinton's inauguration. In the center photo are Wayne Mayor Ken Warfield and his wife, Goldie, Ruiz and Marie Johnson. Cliff Johnson, president of the Metro Wayne Democratic Club (bottom photo) greets Michigan Attorney General Frank Kelley. Johnson provided the photographs to MCN.



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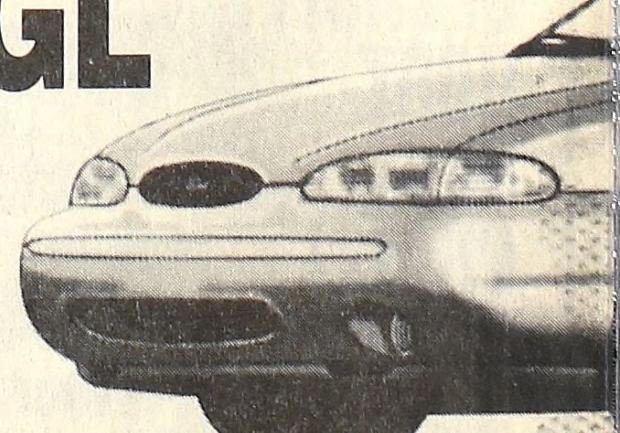
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Local man makes TV appearance

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Kroman, the manager of the Wayne Pizza Hut, was one of the participants in a commercial for the national restaurant chain which aired during the Super Bowl.

"I've never been in a commercial, so this is a whole new experience," said Kroman.

The restaurant managed by Kroman was ranked 11th among all of the Pizza Hut stores across the country in terms of sales, growth, loyalty and customer satisfaction. In recognition for his accomplishment in the store's success, Kroman won an all-expense paid trip to San Francisco where he made several commercials for Pizza Hut.

Kroman was the only Michigan manager to participate.

"I was one of 16 Pizza Hut managers selected for these commercials out of at least 2,000 managers from around the country," Kroman said. "It was a fantastic experience. I got to sit in Sandra Bullock's make-up chair. Even though it was only for a few days, I felt like a celebrity with the wonderful way they took care of us."

He noted that about 17 commercials were filmed in one week.

"It was fantastic to watch the process in action," said



Bob Kroman

I enjoy my job so much because I enjoy people. My motto is if you want to succeed, surround yourself with successful people.

- Bob Kroman

Kroman who has been the manager of the Wayne store since November of 1986.

He has worked for the company for 17 years.

"I have to share my success with my employees," said Kroman. "I enjoy my job so much because I enjoy people. My motto is if you want to succeed, surround yourself with successful people."

Profile: Marsha Bianconi

Profiles of influential individuals from each of our six communities are selected on the basis of their involvement with current, local issues and the impact they're making in our lives.

Michigan Community Newspapers selected newly appointed Conference of Western Wayne Director Marsha Bianconi to highlight this week. Bianconi served as assistant to CWW Executive Director Dan Gilmar until he resigned from his position last fall. In January, CWW members unanimously voted to name Bianconi as his replacement.

Sixty-three applicants applied for the position before committee members narrowed the field to 10, then selected only four applicants to interview after an in-depth questionnaire.

Who most influenced your life? My paternal grandmother, Catherine Zaher. Through example, my grandmother taught me the value of family and hard work.

What is your best quality? I believe my best quality is my ability to listen.

What is your worst quality? I can be extremely stubborn.

What angers you most? Injustice and deliberate cruelty.

What is your personal motto? Nothing is impossible.

What is the last book you read? John Grisham's *The Runaway Jury*.

Name the last movie you viewed? I saw *Romeo and Juliet* with my 15-year old daughter.

Favorite sports team? My all-time favorite sports team was the 1994 Brazilian World Cup Soccer team and my favorite local team is the Red Wings.

Favorite pastime? Traveling.

Favorite food? Seafood.

Least favorite food? Cottage cheese.

If you could change places/roles with someone, who would it be? I have never wanted to change places with anyone.

Do you have plans after retirement? When I retire, I will travel.

Oakwood welcomes new physician

Oakwood Healthcare System had added internal medicine physician, Suzanne K. Cachat, M.D. to its staff.

Cachat completed her residency at Oakwood Hospital Medicinal Center-Dearborn and earned her medical degree from The Medical College of Ohio in Toledo. Before completing her medical degree, she was a high school teacher and did graduate work in Philosophy and Ethics.

Cachat practices at the Oak-

wood Healthcare Center-North Westland, 36555 Warren Road, Westland. The center offers programs and services for the entire family including adolescents, women's health and all aspects of adult medicine. A mammography unit and one of only a few bone densitometer in the area, (used to detect the likelihood of developing osteoporosis) and a complete radiology suite will be located at the center. For more information or an appointment, please call (313) 414-9000.

Westland chamber offers networking

The Westland Chamber of Commerce has organized some upcoming events to beat the mid winter blues as it hosts an After-Hours Mixer with the Livonia Chamber of Commerce.

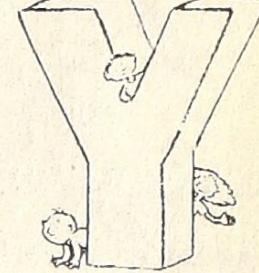
This multi-chamber mixer is open to area businesses for networking purposes. The event will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Feb. 5 at Joy Manor, 28999 Joy Road. The banquet facility is located three blocks east of Middlebelt in the rear building of Oak Center.

Participants will enjoy a hot, cold and sweet hors d'oeuvres bar and an open bar will be donated by Joy Manor. The event fee is \$10 (there will be no invoicing and reservations are required).

For more information regarding these upcoming activities please call the Westland Chamber of Commerce at 326-7222.

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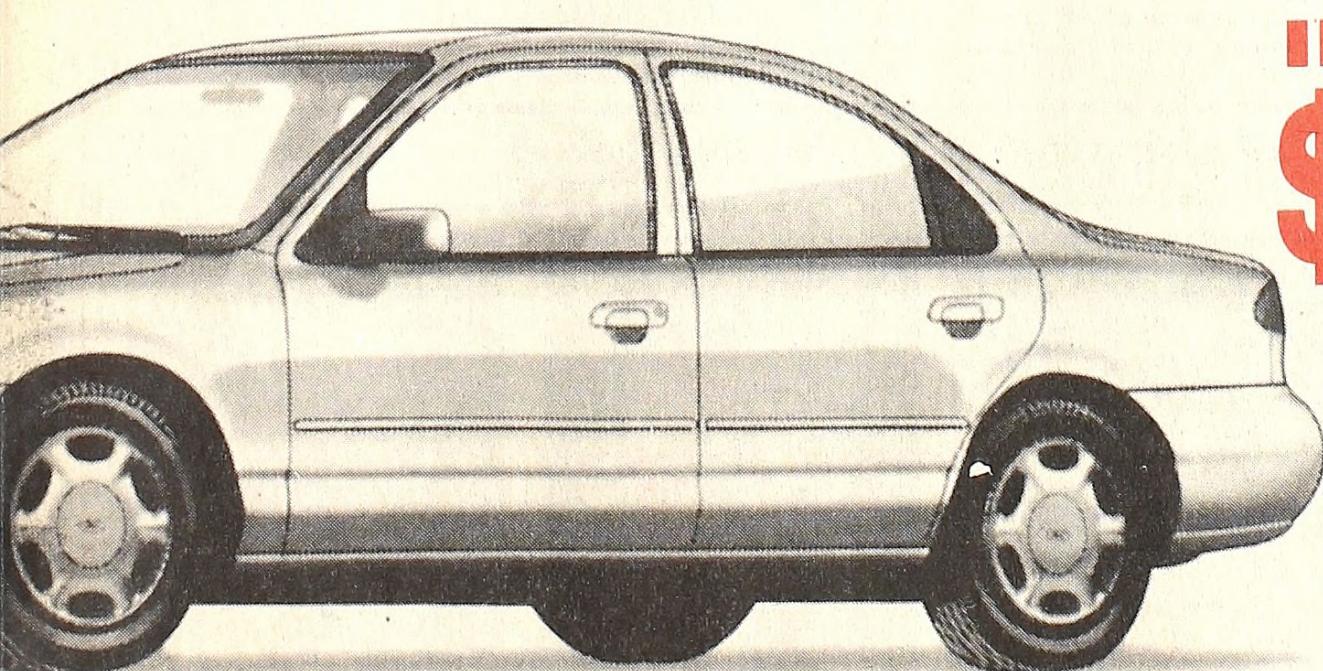
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Opinion

Jan. 30, 1997

Belleville needs new ideas, for 21st century

The first day that I drove across the old blue Belleville Bridge to begin my assignment as reporter for the *Enterprise*, I remember thinking, "This is the town that time forgot."

It was 1986, and it appeared to me that nothing had changed in the city since the 1950s — other than some downtown businesses had moved out. Of course, I was too diplomatic to say it out loud, but the phrase stuck in my mind and came to the surface frequently as I observed an aura of apathy.

One of my first stops was to visit the former city manager to introduce myself. I sat down in his office with my notebook and pen and asked, "What is happening in Belleville and what do you see in its future?"

He tilted his adjustable chair back, almost tipping it over, and contemplated for a few minutes. Then, he looked back at me and replied, "Nothing."

In that one word he revealed to me why Belleville was the town that time forgot in 1986 — lack of inspired leadership.

Since that time, there have been a lot of changes in Belleville plus three other city managers — fortunately more far-sighted than the one I first met. Many of the improvement occurred during the time that Glenn Silvenis served as mayor. He was a dedicated public servant and helped to turn the city around by accomplishing the promises he made before his election — to find a new tenant for the A&P property (Oakwood Hospital), tear down the old Belvil Hospital on Main Street, encourage residential housing (new subdivision) and to improve the appearance of the downtown area (Streetscape).

To Silvenis' credit — also the work of the Downtown Development Authority and the City Council — Belleville emerged from the 1950s into the 1990s.

But the city has still not reached its potential, and it needs to proceed to do so.

Belleville is the only city in Wayne County located on an inland lake. It has untapped recreational and business potential, which could be developed into making Belleville a successful city in the 21st century. In the past, a planning expert advised the city to find its niche, perhaps as a hub of bridal-related services. He ignored the fact that the city already has its niche as the only city in Wayne County located on an inland lake.

Recently, some of the proposals for Belleville's downtown have been put on the table by Mayor Dennis Fassett, and plans for the waterfront area that designer Chesley Odom submitted over the past few years have resurfaced. Plans from both men include use of the long-neglected waterfront area for recreation and lake-related businesses.

As a start, Belleville needs a seafood-theme or upscale restaurant on the lakefront, and some recreational activities to attract people to the water, and, thereby, bring them into the city to purchase items and services from the downtown businesses.

Today, Belleville has no scarcity of ideas, but it does have a scarcity of good will and cooperation.

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Fate of Social Security studied

During the current session, Congress will be taking a hard look at ways to secure the future of Social Security.

When the plan was created in 1935, life expectancy was 77 for men and 78 for women. Sixty-two years later, the life expectancy for men is 80 and 84 for women — thus increasing the number of years of Social Security payments by three for men and six for women from those projected in 1935.

Without some changes in the retirement age, payroll tax or benefit calculation, or a combination of the three, Social Security could go broke by 2029. In the meantime, life expectancies could increase thereby creating a greater drain on Social Security funds.

Among the proposed changes to improve the financial status of the system are:

- To increase the retirement age to 67 by 2011, instead of in 2022 as currently planned.

- Raise the payroll tax by 2.2 percent, making it

Board vote on name change ignores opponents



Reflections
Joan Dyer-Zinner

Kim's Comments
Kim Woloski

Wayne-Westland Board of Education trustees, over the next five months, have many important decisions to make that will dramatically effect the lives of nearly 15,000 students — the least of which is the renaming plans for a district elementary school.

The seven-member school board voted last Monday evening to rename Walker Elementary School in Canton. The 138-year-old school, located on Michigan Avenue, will bear the name Walker-Winter sometime this spring after four trustees voted to honor former school board president Francis (Bud) Winter.

I believe a quorum of board members blatantly disregarded public opposition to the renaming and voted as individuals rather than representing the community as a whole. Trustee Debra Fowlkes and Martha Pitsenbarger should be applauded for their request to table the issue in order for Walker community residents, to share with the renaming committee, their reasons for opposing the proposal.

Fowlkes also raised a very valid point in her statement regarding the premature motion to vote on the issue before committee members could meet with the public.

"This is an issue that's best to be put aside for a while. This district has a lot of other problems that need to be addressed," said Fowlkes. "We need to move onto something that's going to directly effect kids in this district."

I agree 100 percent. What's the hurry?

Rarely do I agree with people when they criticize the actions of the school board as it is my job to remain objective. However, trustees run campaigns on the basis that they'll represent the voice of the people. When did those voices become mute to the ears of individuals acting on behalf of one and not many. In my opinion the unwillingness of a majority of the board not to listen to public dissatisfaction portrays a picture of a self-serving board that just doesn't care.

Why was it necessary to make a decision Jan. 21, 1997? Walker Elementary School isn't going anywhere. No one said Francis "Bud" Winter wasn't deserving of the recognition. All the renaming committee asked was that the issue be tabled so that the Walker School community could express their views regarding the issue. Instead their views were deemed unimportant.

The Wayne-Westland Community School District has a rugged road ahead. I don't see the renaming of an elementary school as a very significant priority in the face of a \$5 million deficit.

Secretary Pitsenbarger said the committee's recommendation to table the issue was in no way a personal attack against Winter that she in fact had the utmost respect for him as an educator and a friend. Should the community also feel the 4-3 vote was "nothing personal" and that a majority of the board has the utmost respect for the public's opinion.

Editor's note: School district resident who have an opinion regarding this issue may write to MCN, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Mich. 48184, Attn.: Letters to the Editor.

14.6 percent which would be divided equally between employers and employees.

- Force local and state government workers to participate in Social Security rather than independent plans, which would bring some 3.7 million new workers into the program.

- Calculate benefits by averaging earning over a recipient's best-earning 38 years, instead of the best 35.

- Change the way benefits are taxed from the current system to 100 percent of benefits beyond what a worker paid into the system.

- Promote private retirement plans and alternatives to the current Social Security system.

How can the Social Security financial crisis be solved?

Readers are invited to submit their views by writing their suggestions to Letters to the Editor, MCN, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Mich. 48184, or by calling the Sound-Off line at 729-4006.

FOOTNOTES: Where would you like to go for a winter get-away?



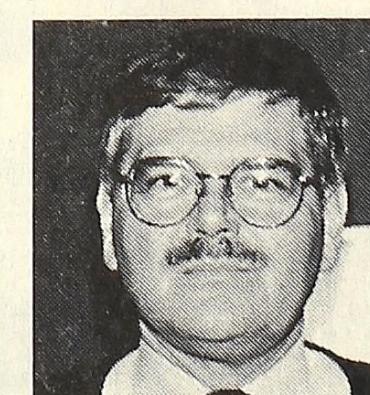
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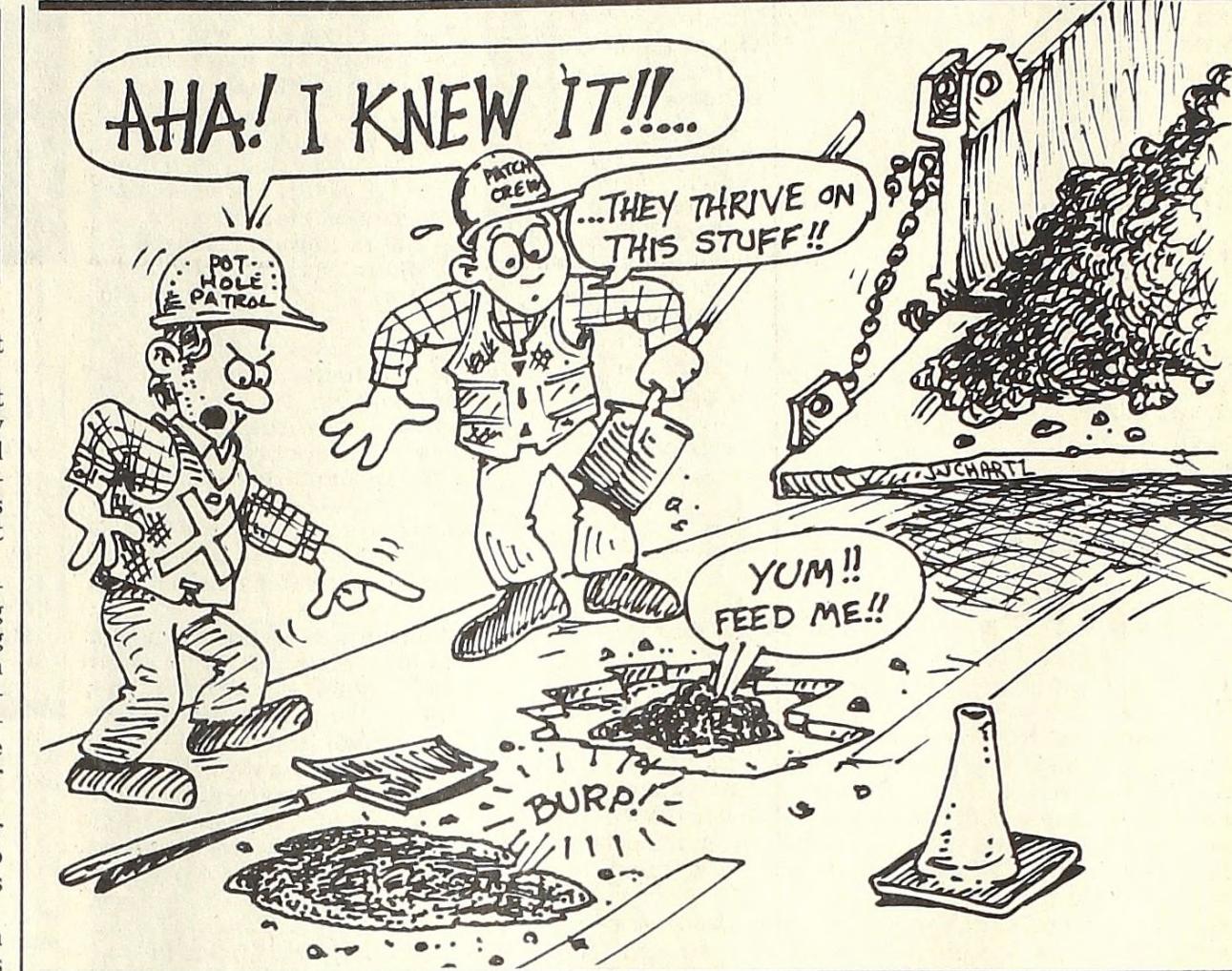


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Dick Clark
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Swimming at the new Wayne Aquatic Center.

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Time line reported

LETTERS

To the editor:

To keep residents interested in the deepwell project informed, Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS) filed a construction permit application for a treatment, storage, and deepwell disposal facility on Citrin Drive (near Inkster Road) in Romulus, Michigan on January 7, 1997. The State will take thirty days to determine if it is administratively complete. If the State determines the application is incomplete, the State review stops unless EDS resubmits a complete application. If the State (DEQ) determines our application is complete, their time line will be as follows:

1. Sixty (60) days after EDS submits a complete application, the SRB makes a final decision and directs DEQ regarding their recommendation. The DEQ makes a final determination through its Director.

2. 75 days after EDS submits a complete application, the Public comment period ends: DEQ prepares a responsiveness summary. DEQ requests municipality and County to appoint individuals to serve on the Site Review Board (SRB) appointed by the Governor.

3. 120 days after EDS submits a complete application, the DEQ Director refers the application to the SRB; or DEQ notifies applicant of intent to deny a permit, and initiates public participation process on denial of application.

4. 150 days after EDS submits a complete application, the SRB meets to review application and establish a timeline.

5. 195 days after EDS submits a complete application, the SRB holds public hearing to receive comments on the application.

6. 210 days after EDS submits a complete application, the Public comment period ends. SRB then separates and lists those issues to be addressed through a negotiation process.

7. 300 days after EDS submits a complete application, the SRB concludes formal Act 451 negoti-

ation process.

8. 330 days after EDS submits a complete application, the SRB approves or rejects application and directs DEQ to initiate public participation process.

9. 390 days after EDS submits a complete application, the DEQ holds public hearing on draft permit or denial of permit.

10. 405 days after EDS submits a complete application, the Public comment period ends. DEQ responds to comments and issues or denies the permit per SRB directive or reconvenes SRB to consider issue raised during public participation process.

11. 435 days after EDS submits a complete application, within 30 days, SRB makes a final decision and directs DEQ regarding their recommendation. The DEQ makes a final determination through its Director.

NOTE: SRB has legal authority to extend the formal ACT 451 negotiation process by up to 60 days if so requested by the applicant and one or more local affected parties. Under such cases, all dates beyond Day 300 should be adjusted accordingly.

If any reader has any question regarding the review process, Mr. Ken Burda of the State's Waste Management Division can be reached at (517) 373-0530 for information on this process.

Austin Marshall
Vice President, EDS

Financial Aid

To the editor:

As high school seniors continue their search for the post-high school opportunities that are best for them, they are also working with their parents to devise an appropriate and workable plan to pay for college, community college, or trade school. Unfortunately, many do not know the many options available to them and that this information is available through one simple

contact.

Information is available from the Michigan Higher Education Assistance and Student Loan Authorities (MHEAA/HESLA) in Lansing at (517) 335-6767. Financial aid applications are available from high school guidance counselors.

Time is short. Financial aid applications must be submitted by Feb 21, in order to receive top priority. If you have questions, please contact Walter Appel in the Office of Support Services and Programs at (517) 373-0457. He can provide you with additional information about our many aid programs.

H. Jack Nelson
MHEAA

Relatives sought

To the editor:

I am trying to locate descendants of my great aunt Patience (Smith) Dodge. She relocated from Newfoundland to Detroit in early 1900. I have been unsuccessful in all my attempts to date. I thought a letter to your paper may bring some results. I would be very pleased if you could include this letter in your paper.

Looking for descendants of Patience Smith, married Mose (or David) Dodge. Patience was born Sept. 17, 1882 in Island Cove, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland, Canada. Her parents were Robert Smith and Emily Barrett (both of Bishops Cove (or Bread and Cheese), Conception Bay, Newfoundland, Canada. Patience was living in Sydney Nova Scotia in 1906. She later moved to Detroit, Michigan. Her last trip to Newfoundland was in June 1947. In January 1951 her brother Mose Smith died in Owen Sound, Ontario. She was listed in his obituary as Mrs. David Smith of Detroit, Michigan. She is believed to have had two daughters. Two of her grandchildren are believed to be named Sharon and Donald Myers.

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Anyone with information on Patience Smith and/or her descendants are asked to write Shirley Jennings, Site. 25, Box 11, RR No. 1, Paradise, Newfoundland, Canada, A1L 1C1. Phone number 709-773-1247 or b y e - m a i l a t m a d 3 0 4 5 @ I N f o n e t . s t - j o h n s . n f . c a .

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School staff thanked

To the editor:

We, Positive People for Our Schools (PPS), would like to thank all of the staff at Rawsonville Elementary School for the excellent job they did hosting the Van Buren Public School Board meeting on Nov 25. You did a great job informing us of the many things that you are doing to ensure our children a quality education despite the poor conditions of the building itself.

Most of all, Congratulations for the Exemplary Status that you received from the State of Michigan. What an honor to be chosen. Your school and staff were chosen to receive the award due to the fact that you have met the state qualifications for exemplary service under the Title 1 Federal Program.

The Title 1 Program is reflective of school wide reform for school improvement. According to law, academic achievement measured by the state of Michigan (MEAP), Rawsonville markedly improved MEAP scores for a significant majority of its students over the past two years. They did so by investing one full year of teachers extensive staff training and planning to improve their total education curriculum in their building. They looked at every need as the law instructs a research based approach to educational planning. Rawsonville set as their main goal literacy for all. Congratulations, you must all be very proud!

We, pleased citizens commend you for all the hard work and visions that you have for our children's successes. We are pleased to hear that your team efforts from teachers, parents, children, principle and all staff (food service, custodians, crossing guards, secretary, administration, paraprofessionals, Tiger volunteers) have paid off allowing you all to reap such a great reward.

It was encouraging to hear about many of the good things that are going on in our public schools. Like you said in your speech, "all children can learn and will learn." Better yet, you have proven that through your dedication and commitment to all of our children and to your jobs, that we can overcome some of the existing obstacles in our society. Obstacles that

too often get in the way of children's learning. In today's world it is not always easy to teach children and we parents, grandparents and concerned people recognize that.

You have provided for the various learning needs of our children, hence the State of Michigan recognition for Exemplary Status. Just as important, you have modeled for our children that people with positive attitudes, working together with common goals and visions can achieve good things. What a great accomplishment!

We commend you highly and encourage you to continue your commitment and expertise with our children.

With the holiday season still in our hearts, thanks be to God for all good things. We extend our thanks to you for all good intentions and efforts to better our community through strengthening our children and their schools.

"Positive People for Our Schools"

Terri Clark
Carrie DeJongke
Tom & Linda Monaghan
Tonya Porzondek
and Rick Atkins

Helpers thanked

To the editor:

The 1996 Canton Goodfellow Christmas Project is history! Many thanks are owed to the many people who made the Project so very successful. Over 200 children in 89 families received a full Christmas dinner, toys, gift certificates and lots of non-perishable food items.

"Teamwork" is the key that makes it all come together. To the tireless Goodfellow Board members who begin working in August and who dedicate much of their own Christmas season to the Goodfellow Project -- Thank you! Art Winkel, Ruth Wiles, John Burdzik, Jack Runkle, Marilyn Bering, Matt Adams, Cathy Johnson, Betty Booher, Don Kulik and Donna Smith put in untold hours of selfless dedication.

We also thank the following:

The members of VFW Post 6967 help to move, sort, pack and deliver the Christmas baskets. You are special gentlemen who show up every year to help and to sell papers, too.

The young people who showed up this year in large numbers from the high schools and from scout troops and churches in Canton are the real future of groups like Goodfellows. Please don't lose your enthusiasm as you grow older. We loved having your help and hope you will return year after year.

All of the folks who show up on Paper Sale Day and stand outside in whatever weather Mother Nature dishes out, are very special people. Your hands and feet may be cold, but we know that your hearts are warm.

Everyone in Canton who donated gifts, clothing, food and toys and cash should take pleasure in knowing that they made Christmas happen for over 200 kids and their families.

The employees at the K-Mart Distribution Center are the absolute best! You all know what a huge part you played in making the kids happy at Christmastime.

The senior ladies at the Summit who, as a labor of love, fashioned our most beautiful quilt for our first-ever quilt raffle are responsible for a rousing success. Everyone who bought or sold tickets are part of the "Team" that worked so well. Canton Chamber of Commerce members who threw 100% support into the project through raffle purchases and the Christmas Tree Auction were the generous donors of over \$1,700.

Their neighbors in need - I thank everyone of you from the bottom of my heart. You've proven that Canton Cares about children and families who need a helping hand.

Canton Goodfellows have once again lived their motto "No Canton Child Without A Christmas" with the help of many good people in Canton. We'll be back again next year - come and join in the fun!

Nancy Spenser
Canton

Problems within?

To the editor:

The Clinton cabinet is the weakest cabinet in United States' history. It is the weakest or poorest collection of presidential advisors in the sense that it is collectivist in its thinking and dangerous to our well-being.

Socialist economic changes have been suggested that will often be the design and intention of the collectivists in power; some socialist programs will result simply from mishandling the free enterprise arrangements and entities of private contract, private property, capital accumulation, and competition.

For many ears we feared the "Bear". A greater worry should be what is about to happen to our country from within.

Neil Goodbred
Livonia

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We welcome letters commenting on current news stories or on published letters to the editor or editorials.

Ideas

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It is my fear that the factions within the city government and among the residents will

stall any good ideas that are proposed for a re-birth of Belleville.

Please make me wrong. I don't want to see Belleville go into the 21st century as the town that time forgot.

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By Glen Miller
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Glen Miller

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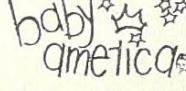
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Grandparents are John and Gloria Ciaravino of Wayne and Joann Holman of Canton.

Shawn E. Bushaw Jr.

Shawn Bushaw and Deanna Reilly of Westland are the proud parents of newborn son Shawn Eric Bushaw Jr. born Nov. 21, 1996 at Garden City Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and was 21 inches in length.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Larry Janus of Westland; Mr. and Mrs. Dave Gillikin of Westland; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bushaw of Garden City; and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Reilly of Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Jaclyn D. Richter

Jaclyn Denise Richter was born to Randy and Deanne Richter of Westland Nov. 25, 1996 at the Garden City Hospital Birthing Center. She weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounces and was 21 inches in length.

Siblings are Samantha, 17 months; Heather, 12; Ryan, 9; and Colin, 7. Grandparents are Mrs. Mary Grabiec of Westland and Ron and Kathleen Richter of Lincoln Park.

Shelby M. Fisk

Shelby Marie Fisk was born to Michael Fisk and Donna Boulet of Dearborn Heights Dec. 3, 1996 at Garden City Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces and was 22 inches in length.

Siblings are Bradley Fisk, 10 and grandparents Clinton and Arlene Fisk of Manchester, Mich. and Rose Weeg of Westland.

Danielle N. Taylor

Douglas and Mary Taylor of Inkster are the proud parents of newborn Danielle Nichole Taylor born Dec. 4, 1996 at Garden City Hospital. Taylor is the first child of the Inkster couple. She weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces and was 20 inches in length.

Grandparents are Paula and Douglas Taylor of Romulus and Northville.

Jason C. Frederick

Jason Charles Frederick was born to Lynne Marie Frederick of Whitelake on Nov. 12, 1996 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Jason is the brother of five-year-old Stephanie Lynn Frederick. He weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces and was 20.5 inches in length.

Grandparents are Diane Butka and Charles Frederick of Novi.

Amber N. Campbell

Marlene Campbell of Romulus gave birth to 7 pound, 13 ounce Amber Nicole Campbell Nov. 16, 1996 at Garden City Hospital.

She is the sister of Courtney, 1, and Elaine 9 months. Grandparents are Phyllis and Richard Sawyer of Romulus.

Michael E. Decker

Rachel Allis and Michael Decker of Westland are the proud parents of their first child, Michael Edward Decker born Dec. 6, 1996 at Garden City Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and was 20.5 inches in length.

Grandparents are Larry and Charlotte Decker of Westland.

Da'quan A. Davis

Da'quan Amar Davis was born to Rashida Davis of Inkster Dec. 20, 1996 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 20.5 inches in length.

Da'quan is the grandchild of Harry and Peggy Smith of Inkster.

Taylor N. Thomas

Taylor Nicole Thomas was born Jan. 13, 1997 to Chianti and Melvin L. Thomas of Wayne. Born at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital, Taylor weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces and was 20.5 inches in length.

She is the sister of Tequila, 6, and LaTasha Thomas, 4, and the grandchild of Willie Martin of Ypsilanti; Linda Ramize of Kalamazoo and Barbara Rookard of Inkster.

Michael S. Paddock Jr.

Beth Peters and Michael Paddock of Westland are the proud parents of newborn Michael Scott Paddock Jr. born Dec. 9, 1996 at Garden City Hospital. Michael weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 21 inches in length.

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'97 Entertainment Happenings

Museum features Black History

During February, in observance of Black History Month, Henry Ford Museum will feature the following displays and programs:

- Feb. 1 and 2, CIVIL WAR AND EMANCIPATION, *The Underground Railroad*, dramatic presentation by actor Willie Payne; U.S. 102 Color Troops re-enactment group; Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Work songs and spirituals.

- Feb. 7 and 8, NORTHERN MIGRATION, *American Dreamers* a presentation of urban and rural African American views; Huddy Leadbeater's Blues presented by Robert Jones and The Troubadours, an all male-chorus.

- Feb. 15 and 16, HARLEM RENAISSANCE, local performer Nkeng Zola, Harold McKinney, Taslimah Bey and Charles Gabriel in programs of music, poetry and prose.

- Feb. 22 and 23, CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT, Perfect Blend, musical trio; Some Fun, a Motown review featuring Robert St. Thomas and Tuskegee Airmen with stories, displays and presentations.

During the week there will be Black History Month concerts, storyteller Phyllis Anderson, the Motown Sound: Music and Story; Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives photo display, and DAPCEP Minority Contributors Exhibit.

Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Admission for school groups is \$5 with teachers admitted free when accompanying their classes. Adult admission is \$12.50, senior citizens, \$11.50 and children, 5-12, \$6.25.

Series continues at Eastern

Some of the nation's top talent in the fields of music, dance and comedy will be featured this season in the Eastern Michigan University 1996-97 Performing Arts Series in the Pease Auditorium.

The season opened with *Capitol Steps*, followed by Bela Fleck and the Flecktones, Airmen of Note, Koko Taylor and Big Dave and the Ultrasonics.

Performances through April are:

- Cissy Houston, the mother of pop, graces the stage at 8 p.m. Jan. 24, 1997.

- Three-time Oscar winner Marvin Hamlish performs solo and conducts the EMU Orchestra at 8 p.m. Feb. 7.

- The Manhattan Tap, backed by a live trio, performs at 8 p.m. March 22.

- The Arianna String Quartet will close the season at 8 p.m. April 19 with a free performance.

Tickets for all individual performances are on sale. To purchase tickets, call the EMU box office at 487-1221.

Brochures and group sales inquiries plus additional information are available at 487-3045.

Las Vegas: Where Americans go to play

By LYNN MARIE
MCN Special Writer

For years this city has been the undisputed playground of adults from America and around the world. Offering beautiful weather, the finest in entertainment, recreation and cuisine, not to mention non-stop action and gambling, Las Vegas is truly the city where America has come to play.

Its success at being the playground of the world has earned this city enormous growth. Long time residents have witnessed a population increase of over 1000% in the past 15 years, from just over 100,000 people to the one million plus residents that the city of neon lights can now boast of. Much of this population explosion has been fueled by tremendous growth of the gaming industry. Just as Detroit and much of the state of Michigan have always mirrored the upswings and downturns of the auto industry, so has Las Vegas ridden the surge of new casinos and theme parks in the past decade.

Perhaps the best indicator of just how much and how quickly this city has grown is the number of available hotel rooms. In 1985 Las Vegas had 30,000 rooms, a decade later it can now boast over 70,000 with more on the way.

Accompanying this frenzied growth has been a fundamental shift in this city's personality. Since its inception Las Vegas was considered to be an adult playground. Everything was done to enhance this image; food and drinks are available 24 hours a day, entertainers such as Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis and of course Elvis graced the marqueses of the Hiltons and Desert Inns, not to mention the topless dancers in the Broadway caliber chorus shows. Implicit in all of this was that the playground was for rich players only.

Las Vegas casinos aggressively courted those players who could afford to wager (and lose) thousands of dollars on craps or "21" in a single evening. Junkets were an especially popular vehicle to bring in such players. Slot machines were a small part of the gaming revenue and generally regarded as a diversion for wives or girlfriends.

All of this began to change when the ownership of the casinos began to shift to corporate hands in the late 1970's. As explained to me by a gentleman who has visited the city at least 50 times since 1970, the original owners of the casinos were in



Lynn Marie

fact mobsters. Gaming being a strictly cash transaction offered them a perfect vehicle to "laundrer" proceeds from other criminal transactions into a virtually untraceable stream of legitimate income. Had they not become too greedy, the city might never have developed as it has.

With the move towards a more legitimate ownership came the plans for expansion. Seeing the enormous profits that the casinos were generating in the late 1970's and early 1980's, the proverbial suits were eager to expand. Hotels such as the now defunct Dunes, and Caesar's Palace quickly built large additions to accommodate more gamblers. But the new owners quickly discovered that the number of wealthy players was severely limited. So like any good business owner they sought to expand their customer base. They now began to reach out to what can best be described as Middle America to come and play in the city of neon lights.

Just as in the movie Field of Dreams, they came. They came to the new hotels, the Imperial Palace, the Barbary Coast, The MGM Grand (now Bally's), the Maxim and others. These new players discovered they enjoyed this playground that was formerly the exclusive domain of the rich.

For the owners of the new casinos, all was well. For their employees, all was not. These new players were vastly different than the ones they were accustomed to. For one, they gambled far smaller sums, more importantly than also tipped far less and had less discriminating tastes. These new folks were not as interested in splurging for dinner shows at the Hilton to see a name act but were more apt to

line up at the Stardust \$4.95 All You Can Eat Buffet. The dealers, cab drivers, waiters, waitresses and cocktail girls saw their tip income plummet dramatically. By 1988 dinner shows had become extinct and the hotel staffs were unionizing to increase their wages.

Las Vegas had now become a playground for what the locals derisively referred to as the leisure suit crowd. In short, the Al Bundy's had taken over from the J.R. Ewings and Blake Carrington's. Casino profits were now dependent upon the number of people they could bring in, revenue from slot machines was growing fast and high rollers who wagered thousands or hundreds of thousands on a single toss of the dice were now only spotted at the Desert Inn or Caesar's Palace. But the biggest changes were still ahead of Las Vegas.

Other states and cities began to re-examine their traditional aversion to gambling. Cash starved local governments began to see gaming as a way to increase the flow of tax dollars and bring new jobs to their districts. Indian casinos began to flourish in states such as Michigan, and Wisconsin. River boat gambling operations began popping up along the Mississippi and large cities such as Detroit began discussing the legalization of gambling. It seemed everyone wanted a piece of the gambling pie that had once belonged solely to Las Vegas.

Las Vegas was quick to realize and respond to what it perceived as a threat to its economic well being. Looking about, casin

no executives saw what they believed was the answer to their problem of bringing more and more people to Las Vegas. Their solution had two words: CIRCUS-CIRCUS.

Since its inception in the early 1970's, Circus Circus had catered to a nice market, the family. It offered a wide variety of diversions and entertainment for boys and girls of all ages. Families who traveled to Las Vegas with the little ones invariably stayed there and it was the only casino in town which actually welcomed and provided for families and children. As a result, it ranked as one of the most consistently profitable casinos in Las Vegas.

Families!! That was the answer reasoned the casino executives. Let us transform Las Vegas into the family entertainment center of the world. Where the kids can enjoy rides, arcades and other amusements while mom and dad play video poker and "21". Thus, they set forth constructing the most elaborate hotels and entertainment complexes Las Vegas had ever seen. The results can be seen in several of the newest resorts.

The Luxor Hotel-Casino opened in 1993 at an estimated cost of \$375 million dollars. A venture of Circus Circus Enterprises, it encompasses 47 acres with a casino exceeding 100,000 square feet. There are seven theme restaurants, an action ride based on technology similar to that used in flight simulators, a simulated chase inside the pyramid structure which towers over the Strip.

The MGM Grand Hotel and

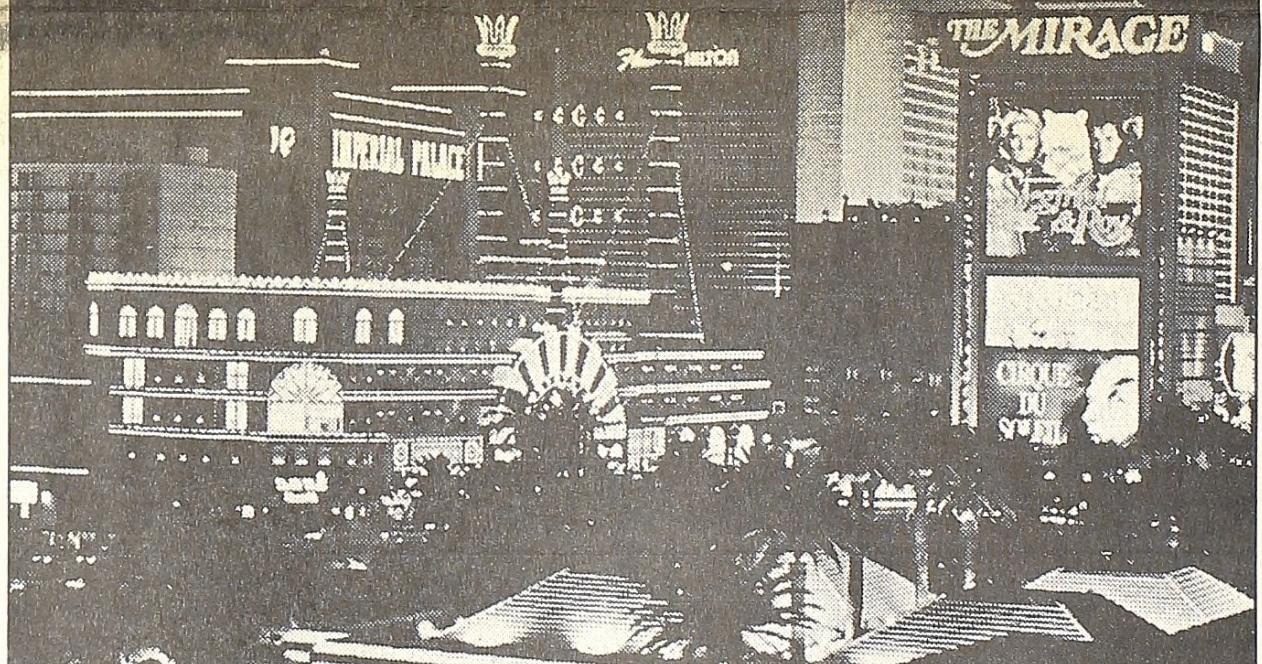
Theme Park also opened in 1993 with a price tag of \$1 billion dollars and has a 171,500 square feet. It offers eight theme restaurants, two main showrooms, spas, pools, five tennis courts, a "youth hotel" and a 15,200 seat event arena.

Other family oriented resorts include the Excalibur, modeled after the Magic Kingdom and Treasure Island which re-enacts a pirate battle complete with sinking ship several times a day.

The changes are not limited to the hotels and casinos themselves. Gaming itself has changed, in part due to computers. Video poker is the fastest growing source of gaming revenue and slot machine now account for more than 60% of all gaming revenue, far outstripping craps & "21" combined. For instance, the Excalibur has over 3,600 slot machines in its casino alone.

As Las Vegas attempts to mold its image from that of the playground for mature adults to a city where the entire family can vacation, the newer hotels are geared towards the MTV generation rather than fans of Old Blue Eyes.

Las Vegas, built on a reputation of gambling, glitz and superstars, is evolving into a one-stop, multidimensional resort destination for the whole family. A city that once relied solely on showrooms, restaurants and gambling to entertain visitors from around the world, is giving birth to new multi billion dollar resort concepts designed to attract a spectrum of domestic and international travelers who span all ages and economic status.



The American playground Las Vegas.

Rosie's no-holds-barred cookbook is a baker's dream

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER
MCN Managing Editor

You've got to love a cookbook called, *Rosie's Bakery All-Butter, Fresh Cream, Sugar-Packed, No-Holds-Barred Baking Book*.

It's chock-full of delicious recipes with "real" ingredients — butter, bittersweet chocolate, ground almonds, egg yolks, sugar and fruit preserves.

With dozens of diet cookbooks on the market, it is refreshing to read about cooking delicious desserts without an unreasonable fear of calories or cholesterol!

Author Judy Rosenberg began her cookie-baking career in 1974 with a batch of decorated Valentine's Day cookies that were grabbed up like proverbial hot cakes. Now, two decades, three stores and millions of cookies later, she has written a book to share her recipes for cookies that sound as good as they must taste — Chocolate Raspberry Sandwiches, Banana Cream Cheese Mounds, Chocolate Peanut Butter Volcanoes, Cappuccino Shortbread Sails and Chocolate, Chocolate Chip Mandebrot. Yum!

Her book, published by Workman Publishing of New York, tempts your taste buds on each page.

Rosenberg, the mother of three youngsters, plainly and simply loves to bake, and her



Judy Rosenberg and kids make cookies.

book is evidence of her love of creative cooking. And her sense of humor is evidenced by her stories and the slant of her writing. For example, she names a chapter of techniques and hints "Doughs and Don'ts."

The author tells you what you need for baking from wooden spoons to a food processor, and gives detailed information on common ingredients. She goes on to explain the characteristics

of bar, dropped, rolled and refrigerator cookies just before she gets into the actual recipes.

Step-by-step, Rosenberg walks the novice or experienced cook through the art of cookie baking, adding comments about the recipes and her family along with the instructions.

Fudgie Wudgie drop cookies are the favorite of her son, Jake. She calls them "a chocoholic's dream," and adds that they are

also good for the casual chocolate indulger. As the reader will note from the instructions, Judy Rosenberg leaves nothing to chance — she explains in detail each step of the recipe and even provides some storage tips for the baked product.

FUDGIE WUDGIES

6 ounces (1 cup) plus 4 ounces (3/4 cup) semisweet chocolate chips

10 tablespoons (1-1/4 stick) unsalted butter

6 tablespoons all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon baking powder

3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder

1/8 teaspoon salt

2 large eggs

2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract

3/4 cup sugar

1/2 cup chopped pecans or walnuts

[r]1. Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Line several baking sheets with parchment paper or grease them lightly with vegetable oil

2. Melt the 6 ounces of chocolate chips and the butter in the top of a double broiler placed over simmering water. Then, remove the pan from the heat and allow to cool slightly.

3. Using an electric mixer on medium speed, beat the eggs and vanilla in a medium mixing bowl until they are blended, about 10 seconds.

5. Add the sugar to the egg mixture and blend until the mixture is thick, about 1 minute. Scrape the bowl.

6. Add the melted chocolate and blend 1 minute more. Scrape the bowl.

7. Add the flour mixture on low speed and mix until blended, 10 seconds, scraping the bowl with a rubber spatula.

8. Add the remaining 4 ounces of chocolate chips and the nuts and blend until they are mixed in, 5 to 8 seconds.

9. Drop the dough by generously rounded tablespoons onto 2 inches apart onto the prepared baking sheets.

10. Bake the cookies until they rise slightly and form a thin crust, 14 to 16 minutes. Immediately transfer the cookies from the baking sheets to wire racks to cool.

11. If you plan to snack on them the first day, place the cookies on a plate. After that, place the cookies in an airtight container and refrigerate for a day or two or store in the freezer for up to 2 weeks. Bring the cookies to room temperature before eating.

Makes 20 large cookies.

The cookbook is a delight for anyone who loves to bake cookies, and the tips and techniques one learns from Judy Rosenberg in the book is worth far more than the \$12.95 price of the publication.

Motown stars

Legendary Marvelettes to perform

By KIMBERLY WOLOSKIE
MCN Staff Writer

The 1997 Westland WinterFest will feature a very special performance by Motown legends the Marvelettes.

Appearing at a 7:30 p.m. performance Feb. 1 the well known Motown group will have audiences twisting in their seats at a general admission show for only \$5. According to organizer Diane Abbott, the all-woman singing group will perform many old and familiar favorites that hit the charts in the 1960s such as *Playboy*, *Beechwood 4-5789*, *Don't Mess with Bill* and *Please, Mr. Postman*.

The Marvelettes occupy an esteemed place in the history of American popular music as the group that caused Motown, and most notably Berry Gordy to change the label's focus from single bluesy soul artists to a smooth orchestrated harmonic sound that transcended

the prior racial limits of rhythm and blues.

With their first record, *Please, Mr. Postman* hitting the top spot on the charts and selling three million records in a cross over market, Motown was to concentrate on the Marvelettes, Supremes, Temptations, Four Tops and Martha and the Vandellas and create a new group pop soul sound that dominated the music charts until the advent of the Beatles four years later.

During their reign at the top of the charts the girls were to turn out over a dozen hits, eight of which went Top Ten. Although the group at times had more than three members, the originators were Wanda Rogers, Gladys Horton and Katherine Shaffner.

In the early years of the group, family ties forced all three to leave the act at various times (although Wanda and Gladys continued to make frequent guest appearances)

but carefully chosen and highly talented replacements kept the act at the top of the charts even with changed personnel.

Westland fans can expect an act that features their big hits, interspersed with their versions of some great standards throughout a highly choreographed, polished show. Other favorites from that era performed by the Marvelettes were *When You're Young and in Love*, *Twistin' Postman*, *Lockin' Up My Heart*, *Danger Heartbreak Dead Ahead*, *Strange I Know* and *My Baby Must be a Magician*.

Tickets are \$5 for general admission with a limited number of VIP seating available for \$50. A special reception will follow the 7:30 performance for VIP ticket holders only. The event is sponsored by the Westland WinterFest Committee and will take place in the gymnasium of the Bailey Recreation Center.

Teachers study Project Read

This is another example of the commitment to student performance we enjoy from the excellent staff we have.

- Larry Tabor

Barbara Falter, who supervises the VBPS At Risk Program. "This program supplements our regular literacy program," says Falter. "It can make the difference and help a child learn to read who might otherwise end up in Special Education."

The program has also been attended by 27 teachers from outside the Van Buren Public Schools system. The home dis-

tricts of each of the visiting teachers paid \$300 for the program, which helps defray the cost of the program for our district. Director Tabor says that despite bad weather which shut down the home districts of several of the visiting teachers, no one missed a session. Tabor says teacher efforts like this can be expected to enhance student achievement.

"I'd just like to thank and commend them for their professional interest in finding one more way to help children who, without extra attention, could begin to fail," he said. Teachers attended from the elementary, middle and high school levels.

The program was presented by a team from the Ann Arbor Public Schools system.

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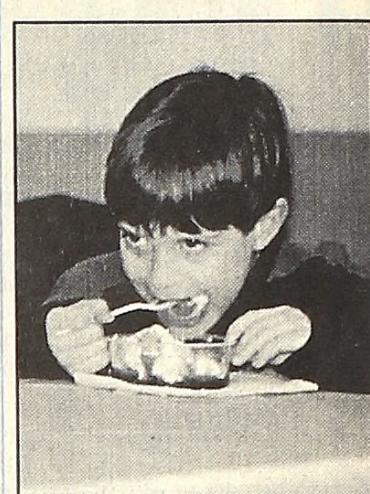
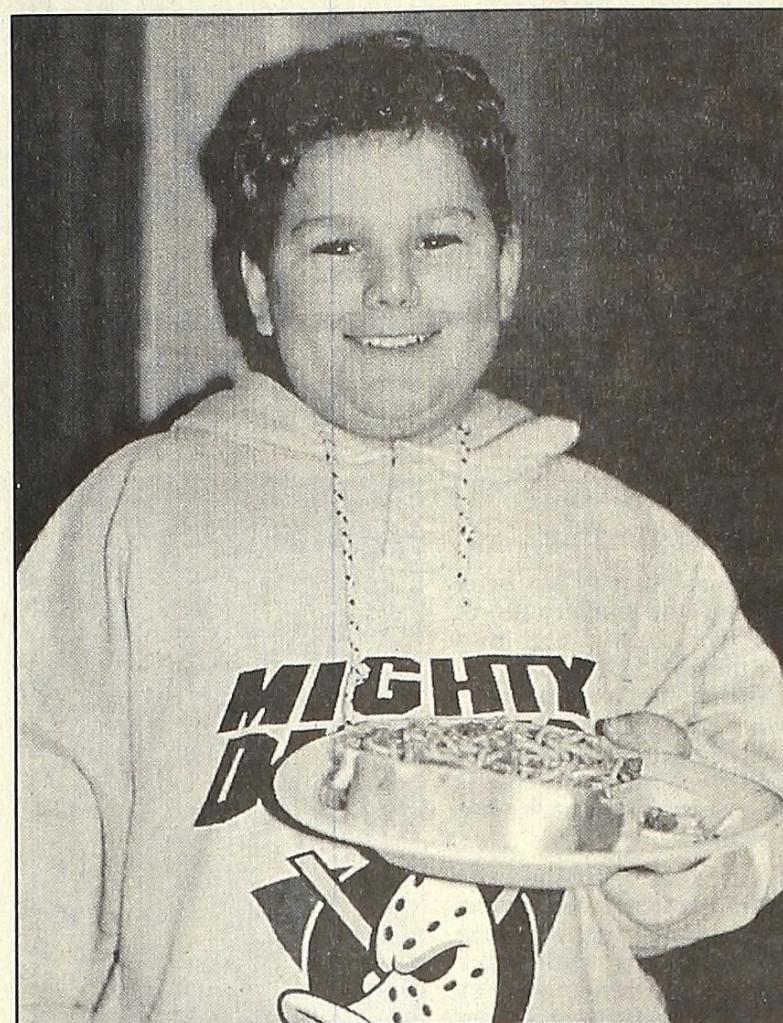
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Joshua Surler, 12, (top, left) enjoys a plate of spaghetti, while Ellen Snell (top, right) dips out ice cream and Colleen Hillyard, 5, (bottom, right) digs into a sundae. At the bottom left, Nettie Osborne and Audrey Tucker represent the Golden Hour Club at the Wayne Winter Fest. MCN photo by Lori Gillespie



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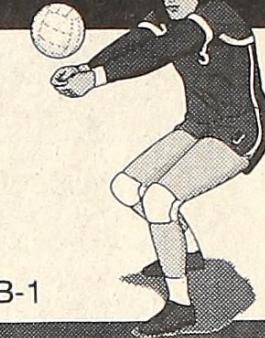
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SPORTS



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Glenn wins back-to-back Western Wayne titles

Rockets capture 11 golds

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Trailing by four points going into the final event, defending

champ Westland John Glenn and coach Ron Staples saw the handwriting and the numbers on the pool wall - they had to beat their closest challengers, Livonia Franklin, in the 400-yard freestyle relay in order to retain their Western Wayne Invitational title.

"Our kids had had a tremendous meet up to this point, and I just didn't know if they had enough left to get the job done," said the Glenn coach. "I knew it was going to be close." It was.

The Rockets retained their title with only a two-point cushion.

Staples and assistant coach Jim Daniels picked Kevin Razon, Jim McPartlin, Ryan Zoumbaris and Bill Cummings for their foursome in the 400-yard freestyle relay, the last event.

In a dramatic run to the wall, Glenn managed to edge the Patriots with a 3:35.22 swim to sew up the final event and their second consecutive WW crown.

The victory in the final event lifted the Westlanders to the two-point margin of triumph over Franklin. Glenn finished with 257 points to Franklin's 255 total at the annual high school classic, hosted by Wayne Memorial in recent years.

"Our kids stepped up their performances," stressed Daniels. "Some of them posted career best times. We are proud of them."

Dearborn Edsel Ford finished third (170) in a field of 11

teams that also included Garden City (140), Trenton (125), Wayne Memorial (110), Wyandotte (95), Dearborn Heights (83), Redford Thurston (78), and Dearborn Heights Crestwood (54) and Robichaud (16).

The Westlanders struck gold in eight other events, losing only in the 500 freestyle and the diving events.

The Rockets' 200-medley relay team turned in the winning time of 1:50.49 with McPartlin, who happens to be the son of

former Wayne Memorial swim coach James McPartlin, Keith Sarkozi, Paul Merandi and Justin Ballard.

McPartlin also finished first in the 200-yard individual medley, posting a 2:16.54 for the gold medal. The talented young swimmer also turned in his best time for the 100-yard backstroke and won his third gold with a 1:01.48.

Cummings got his second gold when he touched in first

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'Super dad' Romulus' coach teaches son lesson

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Jeff DelGuidice is the first to admit that his dad, Guy, is "a super dad".

But Jeff is also quick to point out that he wished his dad wasn't a super basketball coach.

Jeff is the head varsity coach at Dearborn Fordson, and for the second consecutive year his dad's team, Romulus, has spanked Fordson on the hardwood.

"They came at us with a 'take no hostage' attitude, and we couldn't handle the pressure," says Jeff DelGuidice, after the 96-57 loss. "Romulus has a very talented team. They also happen to be coached by a very special person."

Jeff DelGuidice paused for a second, then said:

"I just hope I can repay him one of these days. I mean very soon like the next time when our two teams meet."

In effect, the game between dad and son, could have been called after the first eight minutes when Romulus, behind balanced scoring by Brandon DeYampert, Melvin Hicks, and Randy Faison, exploded to a 25-10 lead.

That 15-point cushion allowed the senior DelGuidice to sub indiscriminately the rest of the night.

"It was a tough game to be in," said the Romulus coach afterwards. "For us, it was a no win situation. But we played well. We made 10 treys."

They came at us with a 'take no hostage' attitude, and we couldn't handle the pressure. Romulus has a very talented team.

- Jeff DelGuidice

Four of those three-pointers went to Faison, a senior guard who finished with a game high 22 points. DeYampert added 15, while Hicks scored 12 points. Reggie Kirkland also turned in an exciting game as he counted six assists and canned six of eight at the free throw line for the Eagles.

Fordson got 19 points from their top scorer, Abdul Haidous.

On Friday, Romulus also embarrassed Monroe 76-66 after building up a 21-4 first-period lead thanks to Lewis Atkins' seven and DeYampert's six points in that opening period.

Though the Trojans came back and outscored their visitors 25-14 and closed the gap to 35-29, Romulus never gave up the lead to their Mega Conference opponents.

Romulus had three players in double digits:

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Robichaud, Malloy make short work of Inkster

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Behind spiritual team leader Jason Malloy, and with the absence of malice in the stands, Robichaud disposed of natural rival Inkster Friday afternoon.

Inkster and Robichaud school officials have agreed to play their basketball games in the afternoon because of past incidents during night games that have led to violence between fans who do not attend the schools but patronize the games in hopes of stirring up trouble, according to the officials.

Malloy and the Bulldogs got down to work early against the Vikings. The Bulldogs tightened the screws on the visitors, who looked horrendous in the first period.

The Vikings scored a season-low three points in the opening quarter and trailed by as much as 15 before they had worked up a sweat.

Inkster never really recovered, although they managed to outscore their hosts 22-18 in the second quarter.

With Malloy, a nephew of ex-Inkster star and All-American Fred Smiley, dumping in 20 points, Robichaud coasted from a 43-30 half-time lead to a 78-64 victory.

"It was a good, hard-fought game after that

I have never seen anything like it when we had the shots they wouldn't fall. I can't remember when an Inkster team has ever been held to three points for one quarter.

- Inkster Coach Ocie Carswell

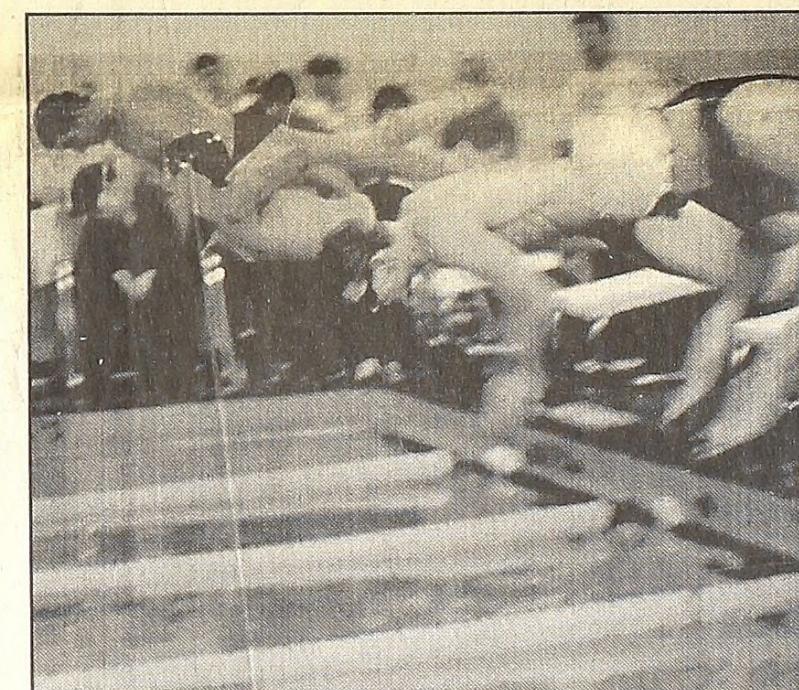
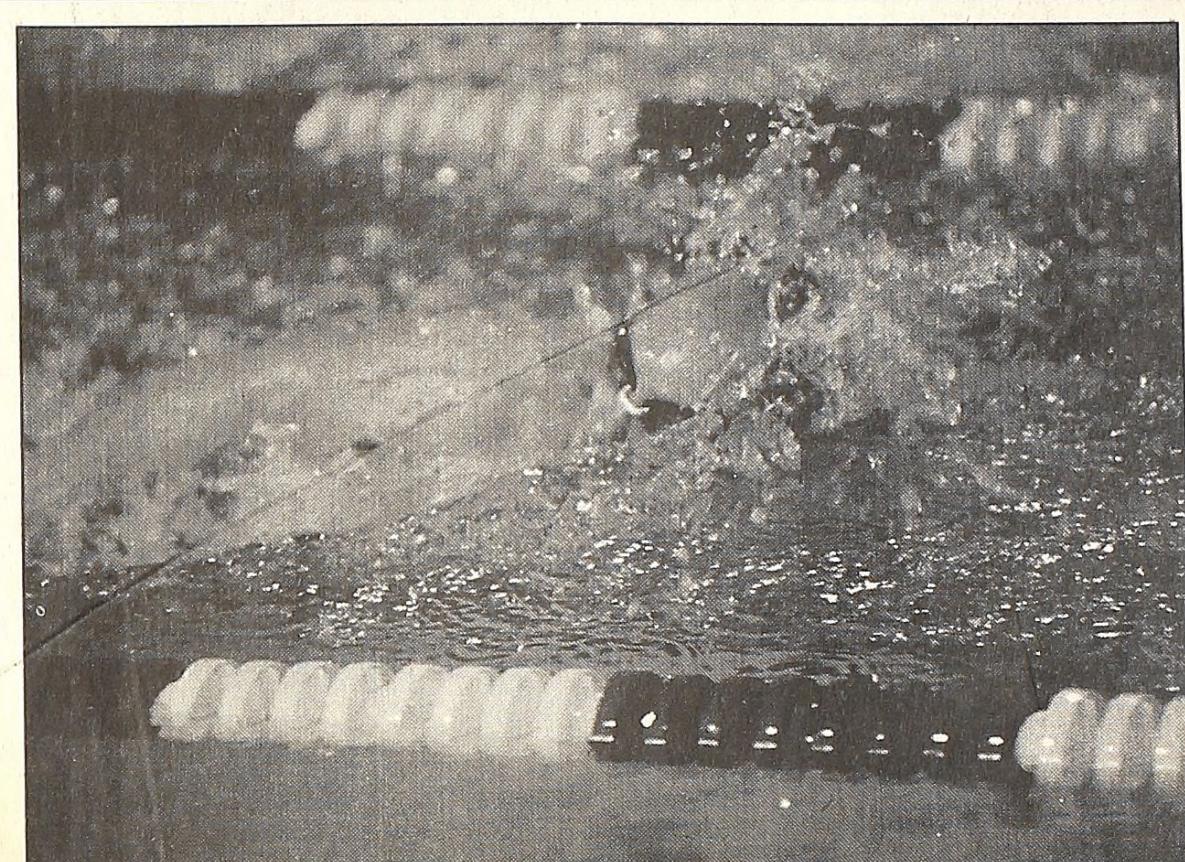
first period," stressed Inkster coach Ocie Carswell, who added that the first-period made the difference. "I have never seen anything like it - when we had the shots they wouldn't fall. I can't remember when an Inkster team has ever been held to three points for one quarter."

Inkster wasted an outstanding individual performance by its 6-4 junior Tim Johnson, who pumped in 20 points and shared individual scoring honors with Malloy.

Robichaud's Travis Gunn chipped in with 10 points and Devon Gray scored 11.

The Vikings also got 10 points and nine assists from Ken Overman. Another bright spot for

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Off the block

Wayne's Sam Raub (photo above) jets toward the wall in the 500-yard freestyle during Saturday's finals of the Western Wayne Invitational. Raub managed to beat out John Glenn's Bill Cummings for the gold, after his natural rival won the 200-freestyle in an earlier "photo finish". Some 11 high school teams competed in the two-day meet hosted by Wayne Memorial. Glenn, which captured nine of 11 first places, retained the title it had won a year ago. photo by Aaron Ortiz

Is Glenn for real? Rockets will find out at Salem

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

After Westland John Glenn dropped its first two games of the season, Rocket fans were ready to bury their veteran basketball coach Mike Schuette.

Today, after Glenn's fifth straight conference win, they are praising him.

But praise and glory, most realize, are short-lived.

A 63-52 victory over North Farmington, combined with Walled Lake Central upset of previ-

ously undefeated Plymouth-Salem, alleviated the Rockets into the coveted position of first place.

But that all can change as the Rockets prepare to take on Salem Friday night in a significant Western Lakes (Lakes Division) game.

"You never want to get a Brodie-coached team after a loss," said Schuette, referring to coach Bob Brodie. "You know he is going to whip them back after that loss. Believe me, we're going to be in a game over there. We can't

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Central pulls off coup, snaps Salem streak at 8 Western Lakes Conference basketball title race is wide open

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Walled Lake Central pulled off a successful coup Friday night that toppled Plymouth-Salem from the top of the Western Lakes Conference standings.

And the 71-69 Salem loss to Central has created several intriguing subplots in the battle for supremacy.

Three teams - Central, Stevenson and Salem, each with 4-1 records, are tied for second in the Lakes Division. Westland John Glenn (Read related story on this page) is on top with an unbroken 5-0 record.

But that all could change

Friday night when Glenn travels to Salem Friday night.

Despite its continuous problems with teams outside of the division and league, coach Mike Schuette's Rockets have won all five of their conference games. Their latest a 70-63 victory over Walled Lake Western.

If Glenn should slip over Salem's Rocks, the league bragging rights could go to anyone. Take your pick: Stevenson, Salem, Walled Lake Central, John Glenn, or even Northville.

And no one is counting Plymouth-Canton out.

Despite the Chiefs' second loss in the conference season,

The 71-69 Salem loss to Central has created several intriguing subplots in the battle for supremacy.

breaking 64-60 slip in OT to Stevenson last week, coach Danny Young's Chiefs still have a lot to say about the conference title.

Canton is sporting atypical 2-2 overall record, but they still must meet their arch rivals, Salem, and Glenn before the curtains are drawn to the conference season.

Friday night, Central's 5-10 senior guard Todd Negoshian brought the curtains down on Salem. He rallied his team back with his phenomenal long-range shooting.

Central trailed 15-7 after the first quarter but, with the sharpshooting guard scoring 12 of his game-high 31 points in

the second quarter, Central closed the gap and caught the Rocks at the half, 32-31.

Salem's Andres Lopez, Andy Power and Jeff McKian refused to give in. They came back with the ammunition that shot the Rocks into the lead, 50-44, for three, but a Central surge that opened the gate to a 27-19 edge in the final eight minutes gave Central the victory and resurrected its chances for a title.

Negoshian, who scored three of his four treys in the fourth, walked away with scoring honors.

Lopez finished with 20 points, Salem's tops. Power and McKian each had 14

points for the evening.

Salem placed five players in double figures in its 70-63 victory over Walled Lake Western earlier in the week. That game, too, was close. Ahead by three, 20-17, after one, Salem managed to maintain its three point cushion at intermission, 41-38, but Western came within one (56-55) of tying the game before losing the scoring duel in the fourth (14-8).

McKian's 14 points and Power's 13 led the winners. Dan Kaznecki paced Western with 14.

Salem also got 12 points each from Bob Patel and Matt Mair. Lopez scored 10 for the winners.

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for the 200-yard freestyle event, nosing out Wayne's Sam Raub for the honors.

However, Raub came back and won the 500-yard freestyle this time beating Cummings to the wire. The winning time for the 500 was a fast 5:24.54. Cummings was a stroke behind (5:24.68).

Glenn had a double-winner in Merandi who was clocked in 23.89 in the 50-yard freestyle and also turned in the best performance in the 100- butterfly (57.75).

On the one-meter diving boards, Franklin's James Taylor took top honors with 435.15.

Chris Petty, Wyandotte's standout, finished with the silver thanks to 424.60 points and Garden City was represented on the dais with third-place finisher Chris Tollen. He had 416.75 points.

Glenn's Jeff Phillips (353.50) came away with a fourth-place medal. Phillips' teammate, Matt Smith, was fifth.

Zoumbaris, a junior, carded a career best in the 100-yard freestyle event. The fourth-seeded swimmer surprised the field as he came through with a 52.44 to win the event.

"This was a crucial event for us," said Daniels. "Ryan's previous best was a 54.97 in the event. His victory was a big boost for the team, believe me."

Glenn also dominated the

200-yard freestyle event as Zoumbaris, Razor, Cummings and Merandi combined for a 1:37.27.

Zoumbaris set the pace for the 100-yard breaststroke, capturing the gold with a 1:05.24 performance. Sarkozi gave the Rockets a sixth-place in the event (1:11.82).

Wayne coach Mike Gruber said he was pleased with the meet and the turnout.

"We have had some unseasonably cold weather in these parts, but that didn't deter our fans," Gruber said.

The veteran Wayne coach also noted that he was "pleased with the overall effort of his team."

"The caliber of competition in this meet is great. I felt our kids fared well against it," Gruber added.

make the free throw that tied the game.

Tied at 11-all after one, Inkster got some breathing room with a 24-18 edge in the second period that gave the Vikings a 35-29 halftime advantage.

With Ken Overman hitting six of his 12 points in the third period, Inkster moved ahead 33-28 before Lamphere rallied in the fourth period.

Joe Allison had 11 points and Mason contributed nine for the Vikings who shot a dismal 13 of 30 at the free throw line. Zaffina's 18 stood up as the game's high.

Of Lamphere's 50 points, 23 came from the free throw line where they missed 12 chances.

Outscoring Flat Rock 26-17 and 21-15 in the middle quarters, Inkster stunned Flat Rock by 14 in their non-conference encounter. The Vikings finished with four players: Allison (16), Overman (12), Phillip Baldwin (13) and Mason (10) in double figures.

Carswell and the Vikings were back in action Tuesday night at Adrian and will travel downriver to Riverview on Friday.

of the year.

Romulus wasn't expected to receive much opposition Tuesday evening from non-conference rival Ypsilanti Lincoln. But, on Friday, they will travel to Dearborn, where the Pioneers are always tough in their home pit.

If they come away unscathed, Romulus will then have a rematch with defending conference champ, Wayne Memorial. Wayne is the only team to beat the Eagles this year.

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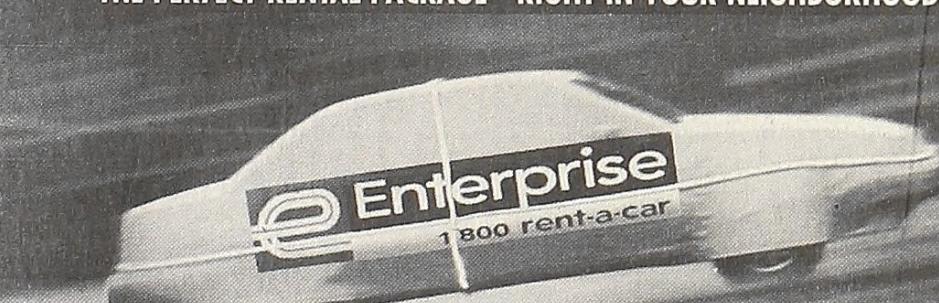
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Bronze medalists

Canton spikers third at 30-team meet

The Plymouth-Canton varsity volleyball team placed third at the University of Michigan Dearborn Invitational on Jan. 25.

Canton placed third after losing to Birmingham Seaholm in the semi-finals of a 30-team field. Canton went 5-1 for the day in matches and 10-3 in games. The Chiefs closed out the tournament with a 22-4-2 record.

Canton placed first in their pool with a record of 6-0. The Chiefs pool scores were: defeated Napoleon 15-7, 15-6, defeated Detroit Renaissance 15-1, 15-4, defeated Wyandotte 17-15, 17-15. This placed Canton in the field with a number three seed out of 30 teams.

In the first round, Canton

went up against Ypsilanti. The Chiefs took control of the first match of the brackets with a 15-1, 15-5 win. In the quarter finals, Canton defeated red hot team Troy Athens, which had just defeated state-ranked Port Huron Northern. The Chiefs won the first game 16-14, lost the second 15-11, and bounced back to win the match 15-10.

In the semi-finals, Canton faced a tough Birmingham Seaholm. The Chiefs gave a strong effort in the first game, climbing out of a 12-2 hole, although they lost the game 15-13. In the second game, Canton, exhausted from playing 12 previous games in the day, ran out of gas and dropped the last game 15-10.

Nikki Kovachevich lead the Chiefs with 37 digs, 17 aces, and 60 assists; Jessica Orleman scored 52 kills, 48 digs, 11 aces, and nine blocks; Donna Logsdon registered 21 kills and 26 digs; Jenny Sikora held her ground with 32 digs, and 12 aces; Amy Plagens registered 17 kills and 10 aces; Stephanie Chefan scored 44 kills; Courtney Wells had 47 assist; and Brandi Bernard had 25 digs.

According to coach Steve Anderson, Canton played great defense on the day, and kept up their staggering per game digs average at 18.6 per game. Orleman and Kovachevich were named to the U of M Dearborn Invitational All-Tournament Team.

16-teams compete for Inkster invitational wrestling honors

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Breaking out of the no respect mantra, Inkster wrestling coach Sam Ellis has put together a 16-team roster to compete on Saturday in the fourth annual Viking Invitational.

"We had some problems

putting the field together, but there are at least 16 teams that have accepted our invitation to compete in this tournament," chanted Ellis. "Unfortunately, because some teams have other commitments, at least six of those teams will be represented by their 'B' teams."

Ellis pointed out that due to a confusion in scheduling,

some of the teams that had participated in the tournament in the past would not be sending their "A" teams.

Among those teams that will be represented by "B" squads are Temperance-Bedford, a state powerhouse; Plymouth-Canton, Gibraltar-Carlson, Garden City, Wayne Memorial, and Melvindale.

Rocket

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play like we did against Howell."

Howell embarrassed Glenn 83-59 last Tuesday. The Rockets fell behind early, 28-15, and never fully recovered.

The defenseless Glenn wasted Jon Beecher's 15 and Dave Jarrett's 10 points.

But Glenn regrouped Friday night for North Farmington as freshman Eric Jones pumped in

21 points, Brad Wilde and Jarrett each scored 14 in the rout.

Wilde connected on three treys in the third quarter that rocked NF.

With a comfortable 17-point (45-28) lead as the fourth quarter began, Schuette also turned his bench loose to the cheers of the "Rowland-Loughlin" Fan Club.

The 6-8 Loughlin sank a pair of free throws and Rowland also canned a free throw for their contributions in the Rockets' fifth conference win of the campaign.

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Profile: Female weightlifter makes her mark

By Don Richter
Special Writer

What would you say if I told you that I had the privilege to meet someone who holds five world records in the sport of powerlifting, a person who holds world records in bench press (400 lbs.), the squat (620 lbs.), the deadlift (550 lbs.), the subtotal lift and the total lift? You might say that this individual must be a male pro bodybuilder or a male college football player, right? Wrong!

This person is Tamara Rainwater-Grimwood, the number one ranked female powerlifter who was one of 12 world champion weightlifters who spoke about and demonstrated at the Second Annual Bench Press and Powerlifting conference in Romulus earlier this month.

She is undefeated in over 50 consecutive powerlifting competitions and has won four consecutive National and World Championships.

Rainwater-Grimwood, a sociable and energetic woman originally from a small town in upstate New York, said she started weight lifting in 1987 while she was in the Marine Corps stationed in Hawaii. Her original reason for starting her weightlifting was because she felt she was overweight. With cardiovascular workouts and weightlifting, she saw results quite quickly, losing 50 pounds. She was hooked!

Already an accomplished athlete, she played field hockey, basketball, volleyball and softball in high school, and was the first girl to play Little League Baseball in her town. Obviously, the competitive spirit was started early in her life and it has continued into her adult years.

When asked what it is that she gets out of weightlifting, she said, "It makes me feel good. I eat better and sleep better. I'm much more healthy."

Tigers volleyball on a roll

By LORI GILLESPIE
MCN Staff Writer

It was a very good week for Belleville's volleyball team. After struggling in the first half of the season, the Tigers stood their ground against Annapolis, 15-12, 15-7, and a much improved Taylor Truman, 15-12, 15-10.

Against Annapolis, which defeated Belleville in tournament play earlier in the season, the Tigers showed improvement in their passing game. "We're playing with more consistency," said coach Terry Leonard. "We're not giving away free balls, and we're keeping the pressure up."

Randi Goodin lead the Tigers with 15 digs, six aces, five kills, and 12 service points on 30 serves. Robyn Golden registered four aces, 12 digs, and four kills; Nicol Pond scored 20 digs and four kills; Melisa Parent had 11 digs, two aces, and three kills; Cindy Price scored three aces, one dig, and five assists; and Brianne Leonard registered five digs, 10 assists, and two kills for the Tigers.

"We have a shot at it," Leonard said, of the district championship. "We're just now getting to mid-season form. We're starting to play better, so I know we have a shot."

Belleville was a bit surprised by Truman, a team which won only a handful of games last season. "This is a very improved team since last year," Leonard said. "They played well. It was a horrible team last year, and they've really turned things around."

The coach once again credited his team with improving their passing game. "We didn't give Truman the opportunity to attack. We kept the pressure on," Leonard said. He added that his team looked very tired during the game. "We had a tournament last weekend, a tough game Monday, and a hard practice on Tuesday," he said. "They still played decent. If they weren't tired, they would have played better."

When I stop lifting, I notice that I don't feel the same. My energy drops a lot," she said.

"I like the fact that the powerlifters have developed into a close-knit group. There's a lot of togetherness," she said.

Rainwater-Grimwood went on to explain that there are not many women in her sport. However, in competitions, there are always enough women for her to go up against. At

these competitions, she competes for best lifter, pound for pound. Her aim is to lift the most of any woman at the meet. She wants to be the strongest.

Her husband, Terry, who is an accomplished weightlifter and trainer, is her trainer and manager, making the two of them a team.

When asked if she would recommend the sport to other

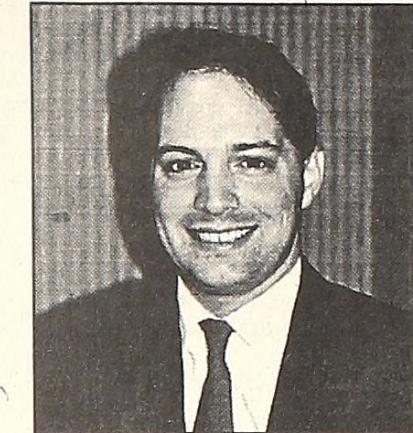
women, she replied, "There's a spot for everyone. Bench press and deadlifting, anyone can do. In competition, there's an age group and a weight group, so they can compete against others in their own age and/or weight category."

Finally, for someone who holds five world records in her sport, what could she possibly shoot for next? "To lift more weight. There is always more

weight to lift," she said simply.

She also wants to get back to bench pressing 400 lbs. She had been injured and had fallen below that mark, and now she is determined to get back to that level. Other goals are to squat 700 lbs., deadlift 600 lbs., and to have a lift total of 1,700 lbs.

With someone of her ability and drive, I wouldn't bet against her!



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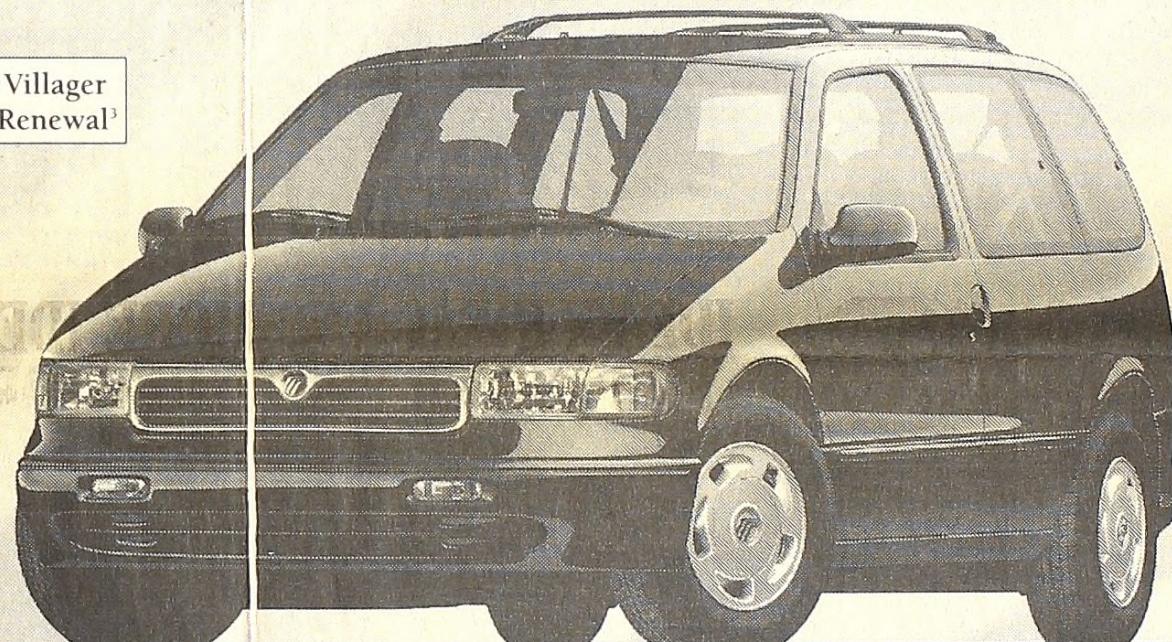
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24-Month/24,000-Mile Red Carpet Lease	
First Month's Payment ⁴	\$279
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(Net of Lease Cash Rebate)	\$775
Refundable Security Deposit	\$300
Cash Due at Signing	\$1,354



1997 Mercury Villager GS

'97 Villager GS with PEP 692A MSRP \$24,195 excluding title, tax and license fee. Lease payments based on average capitalized cost of 89.94% of MSRP for Villager for 24-month closed-end Ford Credit Red Carpet Leases purchased in the Detroit Region through 11/30/96. Some payments higher, some lower. See dealer for payment/terms. Lessee may have option to buy vehicle at lease end at price negotiated with dealer at signing. Lessee responsible for excess wear/tear and mileage over 24,000 at \$1.15/mile. Credit approval/insurability determined by Ford Credit. Actual security deposit will vary depending on taxes and other fees. For special lease terms and \$1,000 Lease Cash Rebate, take new retail delivery from dealer stock by 4/2/97. Total amount of monthly payments is \$6,696. See dealer for complete details. For \$1,000 cash back on a purchase or Red Carpet Lease of a 1997 Villager, take new retail delivery from dealer stock by 4/2/97. Customers eligible for \$500 RCL renewal incentive must terminate their new or used Villager lease between 1/4/97 and 4/2/97. A customer's Villager lease terminated early will qualify if it is terminated within the program dates. Customers who have previously terminated their Villager lease from 10/2/96 through 1/3/97 are also eligible if they Red Carpet Lease a '97 Villager within the program period. Offer ends 4/2/97. *Excludes tax and other fees. Always wear your safety belt and secure children in the rear seat.

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Officers are investigating a criminal sexual conduct case involving a 7-year old girl, and a 44-year old man. The rape supposedly occurred a month ago, and was reported Jan. 23.

With the onslaught of bad weather, officers responded to 10 car accidents, none serious.

Slippery roads on Jan. 25 may have contributed to an accident in which a vehicle slammed into an electrical pole on Huron River Drive and Ormond Street. The fire department was called to extricate the driver, who had been pinned in. The driver was stabilized and transported to a local hospital.

Van Buren police were dispatched to assist the Sumpter police in breaking up a large fight on Sumpter Road.

Officers assisted the Sumpter police department handle a man with a gun at 6:35 a.m. Jan. 26, on Bemis Road.

On Jan. 23, Canton Towns-

hip police responded to a robbery at Builder's Square on Ford Road. The suspect, a 41-year-old Detroit resident, attempted to leave the store without paying after stuffing his pockets with merchandise. When confronted by a security officer, he sprayed the officer in the face with mace and fled. Shortly after, Canton officers stopped the suspect in a car and arrested him. The suspect is being charged with robbery armed and being a habitual offender, according to Canton Officer Lew Stevens.

There is no report from Wayne.

13 players headline Tigerfest

Tiger MVP and American League All-Star Travis Fryman and Tiger Rookie of the Year Tony Clark will lead the host of Tiger players confirmed to participate at Tigerfest '97.

Tigerfest '97, the Tigers' annual winter fan baseball carnival, will be held at Cobo Arena from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Jan. 25.

Tiger players and coaches

featuring at this year's Tigerfest include Kimera Brattie, Willie Blair, Doug Biocail, Clark, Mike Drumright, Fryman, Seth Greisinger, Bobby Higginson, Brian Hunter, Todd Jones, Phil Nevin, Justin Thompson, Matt Walbeck, Manager Buddy Bell, Rick Adair, Perry Hill, Larry Herndon, Fred Kendall and Jerry White.

Tigers President John McHale, Jr. and General Manager Randy Smith will represent

the club's front office at the event.

Hall of Famers Al Kaline,

George Kell and Ernie Harwell will be joined by fellow

broadcasters Frank Beckmann, Gary Sorensen and Jim Price at Tigerfest '97.

Tiger Alumni who will appear at Tigerfest include Gates Brown, Jerry Davie, Ray Herbert, Billy Hoeft, Willie Horton, Dick Kryhoski, Marvin Lane, Jim Small, Jim Stump and Bill Zepp.

Activities at Tigerfest feature free autograph sessions

with Tigers players, coaches

and alumni, trivia contests and

fantasy play-by-play sessions,

Power Ally video batting cage

and a Tiger museum display.

Also featured at Tigerfest are instructional clinics and seminars with Tiger players, coaches, front office personnel and broadcasters.

As a Tigerfest '97 special attraction, fans can audition for a chance to sing the National Anthem for a regular season game at Tiger Stadium. Registration is open to interested individuals/groups from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a limited number of spaces available. Registration and auditions will be held in Hall D, located on the lower level of Cobo Arena, between Cobo Arena and Michigan Hall. Auctions will take place from 2 to 4 p.m.

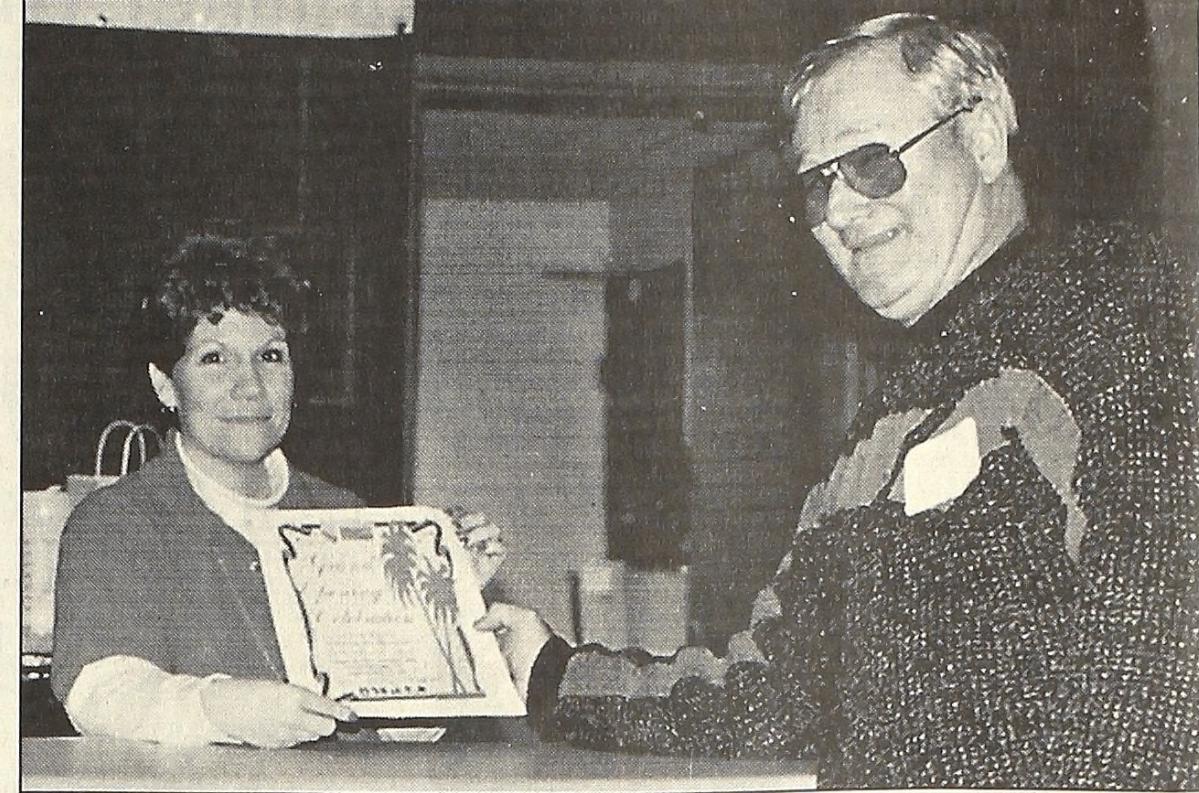
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1997 CAMPER, TRAVEL, RV SHOW-Jan. 22-26 at the Pontiac Silverdome. Properties and campground representatives from throughout the U.S. and Canada will be on hand for the 14th annual show. Over 100 exhibitors and 25 top RV dealers in Michigan. Wednesday and Thursday 3 to 9:30 p.m.; Friday 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

SIXTH ANNUAL ZEHNDER'S SHOWFEST-Jan. 28-Feb. 3. Zehnder's Showfest has become one of North America's most heralded snow and ice competition and exhibition, attracting competitors from 10 countries around the globe and 1997's Snowfest promises to be even more spectacular. Highlights include 1997 United States National Collegiate Ice Carving Championship, Great Lakes Professional Ice Carvers Sculpting Classic, International Snow Sculpting Symposium, Avalanche on Mt. Rushmore snow slide. For more information on Zehnder's Showfest '97 or for Showfest weekend packages, call 1-800-863-7999. Zehnder's of Frankenmuth is located 90 miles north of Detroit in Frankenmuth, Michigan.

TREAT YOUR SWEETIE TO DINNER-at the Schoolcraft College Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance. Dinner begins promptly at 7 p.m. featuring beef tenderloin, sweetheart



Sign up?

Tina Coleman (left) handed Bill Garrett some literature on the new Aquatic Center in Wayne. Information is available for individuals who are considering signing up for the services offered. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

MCN COMMUNITY Calendar

SEND INFORMATION-Items for the "Community Calendar" should be submitted in writing at least one to two weeks prior to the event to Community Calendar, Michigan Community Newspapers, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Mich. 48184. Each brief calendar event should be listed on a separate piece of paper. For more information, phone our newsroom at 729-4000 ext. 45.

RAILROADIANA-Trains and toys - buy and swap. Hosted by SS Simon and Jude Ushers Club; March 2 from noon until 4 p.m. Food available, admission is \$2 each or \$4 for a family at the church hall, 32500 Palmer Road, 1 mile west of Merriman Road in Westland. For more information call 595-8327.

LAS VEGAS NIGHT-Feb. 1 from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. at St. Theodore's Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Admission is \$3 - parking is free. 50/50 drawing hourly, beer, food, and refreshments available. Featuring Black Jack, Easy Craps, Roulette, and Money Wheel. Maximum win \$500 per person. Enter our parish raffle with prizes of \$3,000, \$1,500 and 10 prizes of \$100. The drawing is at 10 p.m. Plenty of tables for hours of excitement. Come join the fun. Presented by St. Theodore's Men's Club and Confraternity of Christian Women. Proceeds to fund parish events. For more information call 425-4421.

CELEBRATE MARDI GRAS AT SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

The New Orleans Way. Good food, hot jazz and dancing await party goers at this annual event. The New Orleans-style fete will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Waterman Center with a traditional New Orleans dinner prepared by Schoolcraft's nationally recognized culinary arts department. Tom Saunders and the Detroit Jazz All-Stars provide the dance music and the SCool JAZZ Singers will croon classic jazz tunes. Tickets are \$30 per person and may be ordered by calling (313) 462-4417 (VISA, MasterCard, Discover accepted).

Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile Roads, just west of I-275.

CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB DETROIT-is a non-profit organization for single Catholics, age 21 or older, who have earned a bachelor's degree and are free to marry in the Catholic Church. CACD has approximately 250 members throughout the metro Detroit area and offers a large number and variety of activities, including religious, cultural social, athletic and intellectual events. Please contact Julie at 271-4213 or Tim 676-8966 for more information. Indoor Volleyball Jan. 28. Volleyball is at Birney Middle School in Southfield from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays. The school is located on the Northwest corner of 11 mile and Evergreen (I-696). For more info, call Mike at 454-0493 or Ken at 981-7120.

BODY WISDOM-at twelve-week group therapy program for women who want to create a healthier, more comfortable relationship with food and their bodies, is being sponsored by the Therapy Center of Ann Arbor, Tuesday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., beginning Jan. 14, 552 South Main. Cost is \$45 per meeting, to register or for more information call 313 668-8448.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN DOLLS OF VICTORIA ERA-a new exhibition featuring over 100 hand-made African-American dolls is on display in the Detroit Historical Museum's Kresge Gallery through April 1997. The dolls, hand-crafted by six artists from across the United States, reflect a diversity of styles and mediums. The display includes porcelain, mixed-media, cloth and paper-mache' dolls. The Detroit Historical Museum is located at 5401 Woodward (at Kirby) in Detroit's Cultural Center. Museum hours are Wednesday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for seniors and students 12-18; children under 12 are free. Secured parking is available in the Museum's lot off Kirby. For more information, call 833-1805.

PORTFOLIO STRATEGIES-for retirees and pre-retirees seminar.

For those less than 7 years from retirement, Hyatt Regency Dearborn, 7-9:30 p.m. Feb. 12. For complimentary tickets call our 24-hour seminar hotline at 1-800-780-6889, or Kim Kraus at (313) 963-5623.

FINANCIAL PLANNING/INVESTMENT STRATEGIES-for people of all ages. Hyatt Regency Dearborn, March 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. For complimentary tickets call our 24-hour seminar hotline at 1-800-780-6889 or Kim Kraus at (313) 963-5623.

BUSINESS EXPO OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN-Business of Southeast Michigan are

applauding improvements in store for Business Expo 1997, Feb. 18 and 19 at the Burton Manor in Livonia. Typically running well over 100 booths, the show offers businesses the opportunity to showcase their products & services while mingling with the area's most influential professionals and potential customers. Hours for the new business breakfast, seminars and all-day Exhibitor Show on Wednesday are to be determined. Business Expo '97 will be held at Burton manor, 2777 Schoolcraft Road (-96) Livonia. For reservation, booths or more information please contact Mike Cooney at the Livonia Chamber of Commerce, (313) 427-2122 web site <http://oceanline.com/livoniachamber>.

BRITISH ART FROM RUSSIAN COLLECTIONS-Drawn exclusively from the collections of The State Hermitage Museum, this extraordinary exhibition features 160 works of art showcasing the avid interest in British art and architecture fostered by Catherine the Great and the imperial Russian court in the last quarter of the 18th century. Made possible by Ford Motor Company, the exhibition represents the first opportunity to see this important collection outside of St. Petersburg, Russia. The Toledo Museum of Art will host the exhibit Feb. 16 to May 11, 1997 from Tuesday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Friday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.; closed Mondays. For further information, the Toledo Museum of Art is located at 2445 Monroe St. at Scottwood Avenue, just west of the downtown business district north of 80/90 and one block off I-75 with exit designations posted. (419) 255-8000.

RETIREMENT PLANNING SEMINAR-Feb. 5. Tax implications of distributions for corporate stock savings and 401K plans such as SSIP and SSPP. For those less than five years to retirement, Hyatt Regency Dearborn, 7-9 p.m. For complimentary tickets call our 24-hour seminar hotline at 1-800-780-6889 or 810-682-7617.

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BLOOD DRIVES-Share in the joy of giving - give blood. To make an appointment call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH-Single parenting in a married world will be the discussion by Jacqueline Martin-Downs, MSW, ACSW and Doug Bingham, Livonia Civic Center Library.

32777 Five Mile Road in Livonia, One mile north of I-96 Farmington Road Exit. Cost \$5 per person. Reservations can be made by calling (313) 261-3760 ext. 100. Future Live, Love, Laugh sessions include Jan. 13; Three keys to communicating with our teens; Feb. 10: How to have healthier relationships; March 17: Positive fathering roles and strategies.

13TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DEMOCRATIC PARTY-organization sponsors a bingo on Wednesday evenings beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Cherry Hill Hall, 230 S. Venoy at Cherry Hill, Westland. The group serves the entire Western Wayne County area. For further information please call Dick McKnight at 421-1517.

SOMETIMES TRAVELLERS

offers travel to very unique places with old and new friends. All the details of the various excursions are taken care of by the Wayne Senior Services Office. For information on the next trips or to join Sometimes Travellers call 721-7460.

THE LEARNING DISABILITY ASSOCIATION-has formed a new group in the area. Any persons with an interest in Attention Deficit Disorder or Learning Disabilities, may have an interest in attending the meeting. For more information about the organizations or the next scheduled meeting call 941-4249 or 941-7330.

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4. Monuments & Cemetery Lots

MICHIGAN MEMORIAL PARK, 2 cemetery lots, Sec Lakeview Gardens. Lots are on slope overlooking the lake. Both for \$2,000. 313-721-8043.

5. Personals

DALE DRAB
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6. Legals Notices

NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED

To: Dayle and Melodie Lindquist and Ezra Lee McComas
Deed #1703
Cert. #03556

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

Take notice: Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without additional cost or institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 41255000174000 WILSON AND FARLEYS SUB FRAC SEC 20 T15 R12E L21 P2 WCR LOT 174

This is an improved residential property. Property address: 3899 Dorothy, Hamtramck.

Amount Paid:

\$1,617.46 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,431.19 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

FUNB Custodian for 1700 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd. Ste. 1100A West Palm Beach, FL 33401 1-800-528-4272

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NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED

To: Shalah and Omega Cole and Dawn Meadows
Deed #1709
Cert. #03591

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 4143300009000 LEHMANN AND EICHBAUER'S SUB L15 P10 WCR LOT 9

This is an improved residential property. Property address: 3326 Holbrook, Hamtramck.

Amount Paid:

\$1,108.18 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$1,667.27 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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To: James E. Caldwell
Deed# 1730
Cert. # 05013

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This is an improved residential property. Property address: 26801 Norfolk, Inkster. Amount Paid: \$1,852.25 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,783.38 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that on Thursday, February 6, 1997 at 10:00 am at Mayflower Auto Transport, 5760 Belleville Rd., Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne, a public auction of the following vehicles will be held:

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Age 41, passed away Jan. 6, 1997. He leaves behind his parents, Joan and James Love, sons Maurice, Deshawn, Myron and Raphael, 1 brother, 1 sister, plus a host of family and friends. The arrangements were entrusted to Penn Funeral Home, with the services held at Solid Rock Missionary Baptist Church.**

**BULOCK, MARY C.
Age 61 of Westland, passed away on Jan. 26, 1997. Beloved wife of Robert M. Bullock and dear mother of Patricia Stillwagon, Peggy McKee, and Pamela. Dear daughter of Mae. Also survived by 6 brothers and sisters, 11 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Services took place on Jan. 30, 1997 at the Uht Funeral Home.**

**CALVERT, MICHAEL D.
Age 26, of Redford, passed away Jan. 23, 1997. Mr. Calvert leaves to mourn his passing, parents Brenda and Gary, grandparents Evelyn Pollard and Marie & Cecil Calvert, and sisters Kimberly, Erica and Christy. Services were held Jan. 27 at Crane Funeral Home in Romulus with interment at Romulus Cemetery.**

**CASTLE, IRENE H.
Age 70, of Flintstone, GA, passed away on Jan. 22, 1997. Survived by her children Anna Lou Tews, Phyllis Y. Johnson, Norma Jean Koscielak, Anthony Holt Castle. Also survived by 17 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren, 1 great great grandchild, and several nieces and nephews. Services were held on Jan. 25, 1997 at the Uht Funeral Home.**

**CEASER, OUIDA A.
Age 63, passed away Dec. 29, 1996. She leaves to mourn her passing, sons James, Leon, Cleon, and Marion, 3 grandchildren, 2**

uncles, 5 aunts, adopted father C. Walter Edwards, Myrtle Stroman and Brenda Stitt, plus a host of relatives and friends. The services were held at Penn Funeral Home, with Rev. Roosevelt Miller Jr., Officiating.

**DONAHEE, STEVE J.
Age 82, of Romulus, passed away January 21, 1997. Survived by wife Ruth, son Albert (Kay), daughter Nancy (Carl) Allore, 1 brother, 2 sisters, 9 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. The family suggest memorials to the Prince Peace Lutheran Church in Westland. Services were held Jan. 24 at Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West.**

**HARTFORD, ROY SR.
Age 58, of Romulus, passed away Jan. 22, 1997. Loving husband of Gerene, dear father of Roy, dear step father of Donald Leonard. Also survived by 5 brothers, 1 sister and 2 grandchildren. Services were held Jan. 24 at Crane Funeral Home in Romulus with interment at Michigan Memorial Park.**

**HILL, JERRY "WRENCH"
Age 20, passed away Jan. 1, 1997. He leaves to mourn, parents Jerry Hill Sr. and Vonja Hill, sisters Angel Boone and Debra, 2 nephews, grandparents Earcile and Alger and Johnnie Mae, and a host of relatives and friends as well as a special friend, Akeela. The services were held at Whitehead Memorial Church with elder James Whitehead, Jr. Officiating. Arrangements from Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.**

**HOWARD, WARREN C.
Age 48, of Westland, passed away Jan. 21, 1997. Dear father of Tonja, Kelly and Billy. Also survived by 4 sisters, 3 brothers and grandson Devon. Services were held Jan. 24 at Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Knollwood Cemetery.**

**KEYSER, EARL R.
Age 19, of Romulus, passed away Jan. 23, 1997. Loving son of Kayleen Keyser and Earl Keyser. Dear brother of Thomas, Amber and Daniel. Grandson of Ronnie & Judy Mosher and Carl and Barbara Keyser. Services were held Jan. 28 at Crane Funeral Home in Romulus.**

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Samantha and Lateasea, sons George and Daryl, 6 brothers, 4 sisters, 7 grandchildren, plus a host of relatives and friends. The arrangements were entrusted to Penn Funeral Home with the services being held at Beulah Missionary Baptist Church, with Rev. Kenneth Pierce Officiating.

**NEBUS, WILLIAM A.
Age 86, of Wayne, passed away Jan. 20, 1997. Survived by daughters Jacqueline (Thomas) Renkes, Carol (Kenneth) Schultz, sons Charles (Roberta) and the late William. Also survived by 1 sister, 8 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Services were held Jan. 22, from the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home, with the Burial in Columbia, Tennessee.**

**PALISZEWSKI,
VIRGINIA C.
Age 70, of Westland, passed away January 22, 1997. Survived by husband Joseph, daughters Joan Pilon and Nanette Paliszewski, son Andrew (Dawn) daughter in law Debbie Williams, 2 grandsons, 5 brothers and 4 sisters. A Memorial Service will be held Feb. 1 at 10:00 am at Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Suburban Cemetery in Auburn Hills.**

**PHELPS, LLOYD G.
Age 72, passed away Jan. 6, 1997. He leaves to cherish his memory, 5 sisters, Grace, Florence, Edith, Signora and Margaret, and a host of relatives and friends. The services were held at Penn Funeral Home, with the interment at Westlawn Cemetery.**

**THOMPSON, ROBERT
Age 87, of Ann Arbor (formerly of Westland), passed away Jan. 24, 1997. Loving husband of the late Violet, dear father of Carol (Edward) Heldt and Linda Thompson. Also survived by grandsons John and Robert and 6 great grandchildren. Services were held Jan. 28 at Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Glen Eden Cemetery.**

**SAFFOLD, EDWARD
Age 54, passed away Jan. 9, 1997. The Memorial Service was held at Penn Funeral Home, with Rev. Willie W. Davis Officiating. The cremation service was handled by Tri-County Cremation Service with arrangements by Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.**

**SANKEY, PAULINE
Age 65, passed away Dec. 24, 1996. She leaves to mourn her passing, her mother, Maggie Tuck, seven children, Geraldine, Sam, Mary, Jimmie, Regina, Angie and Kimberly, 1 brother, 18 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and a host**

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Geo Tracker smooths rough roads

By KAREN STRONSKI
Automotive Writer

The harshest roads aren't necessarily located out in the boonies. And when the road resembles craters on the moon, the 1997 Geo Tracker comes to the rescue. It makes the trip a lot more comfortable. Just because the road is paved, doesn't mean it's smooth. Driving is not always a walk in the park!

No cell phones, lap tops or stress tab. Out here, all you need to do is put the Tracker in four-wheel-drive and have fun. Off-roading, in snow, in sleet, or just on dry pavement, this SUV can handle it all.

Finally, someone came up with a sport-utility vehicle that doesn't cost an arm and a leg. It's not outrageously expensive like most that are out there. With a 16-valve multi-port, fuel injected engine and an available four-wheel-drive model

that will take you just about anywhere.

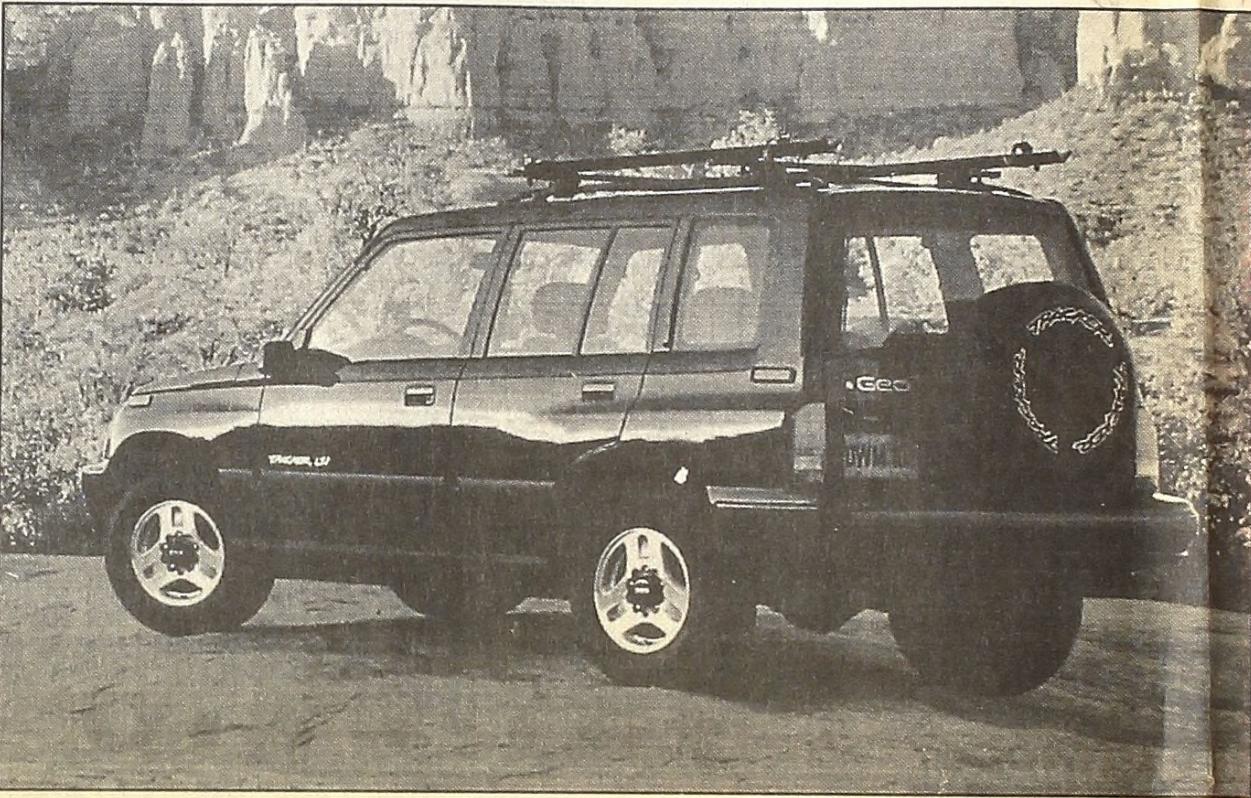
Since you never know what you'll come up against, Tracker comes with not one but two air bags, a strong ladder-type frame for rough trails, and automatic daytime running lights. It also has plenty of cargo space and seating for four.

While driving the tracker, you will not retrieve, file, or send. And the only cursor will be your friend in the back seat who's been begging to drive. This SUV offered so much versatility. It has go anywhere, do anything capabilities.

If you love adventure, the Tracker is ready, willing and able. You can choose from the sharp looking Tracker four-door, or the "wind in your hair" Tracker convertible. Both are rather nice, and both have the high ground clearance which will keep you going where most cars can't.

So now that I have told you all of the good points about this vehicle, it's time for me to tell you some of the drawbacks that I found to be less than perfect. The 1997 Geo Tracker was sure-footed except I worry a little bit about the high ground clearance because when hitting an on-ramp for the expressway at about 40 mph, making that turn, I felt as if I needed to slow way down or I would tip over. It also needed more acceleration power.

The interior of the Geo was pretty plain, it could have used a little bit of color. I also found that the stereo was not the greatest, and the clutch was close to the brake pedal. Aside from that though, you can pick up the Tracker nicely loaded for about \$16,000 which is far better than most out there. It's a rugged little sport-ute that will get you from Point A to Point B without any problems, while having fun doing it!



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Planning a wedding — large or small — takes organization

Good planning and organization are the keys to a successful wedding.

Lack of pre-planning and haphazard preparations are sure to cause unwanted problems on the day that should be a happy, stress-free one.

Here are some of the steps to take:

Announcements should be sent to the local newspaper after the engagement is officially announced. A photograph can accompany the announcement.

Michigan Community Newspapers has forms, which can be filled out at the office, located at 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, or which can be faxed or mailed to the couple if it not convenient to come to the office.

Photographs can be black and white or color, and a \$5 is required to print a photo. Announcements without photographs are published at no charge. Contact Kimberly Wiloskie at 729-4000 for information.

Engagement party is hosted by the family of the bride. If the bride's family live far away, the groom's parents may host this event. The engagement party usually includes relatives and close friends and is given in the form of a cocktail party, dinner or even a summer barbecue.

Four months to a year before the wedding:

- Determine the budget with parents and decide whether the wedding will be formal or informal and where

it will take place. In the case of mature couples or second marriages, wedding plans are often made independently by the bride and groom and they may assume the costs involved.

- Visit the clergyman with your fiance and set the date.
- Select the members of the wedding party. Usually, the bride will select her attendants and the groom will select his.
- Plan the reception and reserve all the services you will need. It is a good idea to check with recently married friends and relatives for their recommendations. They may have good or bad experiences to share and help the couple to avoid pitfalls which could occur.
- Draw up the invitation list with both the bride and groom contributing to it.
- Select the wedding gown, veil and accessories.
- Choose attendants dresses and men's formal wear.
- Select the photographer, the florist and plan the music.

Three months before the wedding check your list of things to do:

- Order the invitations, note paper and any other incidentals.
- Make plans for the honeymoon destination, and shop for the best prices and accommodations

• Have mothers of the bride and groom choose their gowns.

Two months before the wedding make the following preparations:

- Plan how you will record and display wedding gifts
- Finish addressing the wedding invitations
- Decide on gifts for the attendants
- Select the wedding ring (or rings) if they have not already been purchased.
- Obtain a marriage license

One month before the wedding the following should be completed:

- The bride should have her hair styled as she would for the wedding.
- Make transportation plans for the wedding party
- Have the final fitting on the gown
- Arrange for the bridesmaids' gowns to be fitted
- Order the wedding cake and the package of groom's cake for guests to take home and "dream on."
- Arrange for the rehearsal dinner if you plan to have one.
- Plan accommodations for out-of-town guests
- Mail invitations. Unfortunately, everyone will not respond as requested on the invitation, so it may be necessary to ask someone — a close friend or relative — to make phone calls to those who have not responded to determine whether or not they plan

to attend. Not responding to the "RSVP" is a serious breach of etiquette, but it is a problem which continues to occur.

- Plan bridesmaids luncheon
- Prepare the newspaper announcement of the wedding
- Two weeks before the wedding you should:

- Record each gift as received
- Check on attire for everyone in the wedding party
- Plan on how parking/traffic will be handled for guests
- Arrange a seating plan for the reception. If you plan to have a bride's table at the reception, write out place cards.
- Send your typed announcement and photograph to the newspaper.
- Arrange for a name change on Social Security and driver's license.
- Arrange to move belongings to your new home.

One week before the wedding make sure the following is completed:

- Have final consultation with caterer, photographer and florist
- Give bridesmaids' luncheon, if one is planned.
- Have hair done
- Plan the rehearsal and inform attendants

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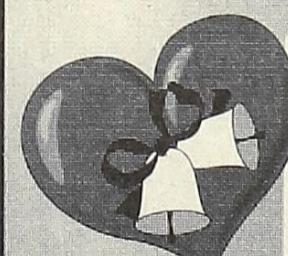
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Traditions still important in today's weddings

As wedding preparations begin, they are bound to include many traditions from the past.

For example, it has been good luck for brides to have "something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue" plus a lucky six-pence in their shoe for generations.

The bridal shower evolved from the time a marriage was more of a "business merger" between families. Then, it wasn't as important for the couple to be in love as it was for the bride's dowry to be considerable.

The first shower was said to have come about when a poor Dutch miller fell in love with a young girl whose father refused to provide a dowry. The miller's friends came to the rescue and showered the bride-to-be with gifts, and, of course, the couple married and lived happily ever after.

Here's the story behind other bridal traditions:

Wedding ring, is a circle which symbolizes eternal love. In ancient Egypt, gold rings were used as currency before coins were minted. To show that he trusted his bride with his mon-

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ey, the Egyptian husband placed one of these rings on her finger. They thought that love traveled to the heart in the vein of the third finger of the left hand, so that's where they placed the ring and where bride's continue to wear their wedding rings.

Tossing rice was a wish for a good harvest and a large family for the newlyweds. It was thought that anything or anyone who touched the bridal couple would also be lucky.

Wedding cake, which was eaten by the bride and groom in early Rome, was the symbol of the legalizing of their marriage. The priest broke a flat loaf of wheat bread over the bride's head and everyone shared the crumbs. It was their belief of passing luck and fertility back and forth.

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The wedding cake crowns the reception table.

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Princess bridal gown is one of popular fashion.

Couple plans July wedding

Judith Krugler of Canton proudly announces the engagement of Becky A. Krugler, daughter of the late Alan D. Krugler, to Daniel M. Missig, the son of Martin and Linda Missig of Wayne.

Krugler, a 1992 graduate of Ladywood High School received a bachelor's degree in English with a secondary education teaching certificate from Madonna University in 1996. She

works as a substitute teacher for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and is a member of the International Society in Education, Kappa Delta Pi. Her fiance is a 1992 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School. Missig is currently completing work on an associate's degree from Schoolcraft College in criminal justice.

The couple are planning a July 26, 1997 wedding.



Daniel Missig and Becky Krugler

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Gowns feature many styles

What's new in bridal fashions for 1997?

A new look to classic styles — gowns with fitted bodices, jeweled necklines, sweeping trains or A-lines are being worn by fashion-wise brides. In many ways, the gowns of the '90s reflect the best of the '60s.

Selecting a wedding gown gives the bride-to-be an opportunity to express her personality in a variety of ways — traditional, modern, elegant or dramatic.

There are many lengths to choose from including cathedral, chapel or sweeping trains, floor-length, ankle-length or knee-length hemlines or even street-length suits. Again, it is the choice of the bride of what fits her style and personality.

A few years ago, a wedding on a television series featured a black-and-white wedding dress, which prompted many duplications from fans, and dumped the taboo against wearing black at a wedding because of its association with bad luck.

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For a second marriage, bridal dress options also are available. The bride can select from the same types as the first-time bride from a satin and lace sheath to a ball gown or a white linen. However, a veil and train (both associated with first marriages) are not recommended for the second-time bride.

"In marriage, as in all things, contentment excels wealth."

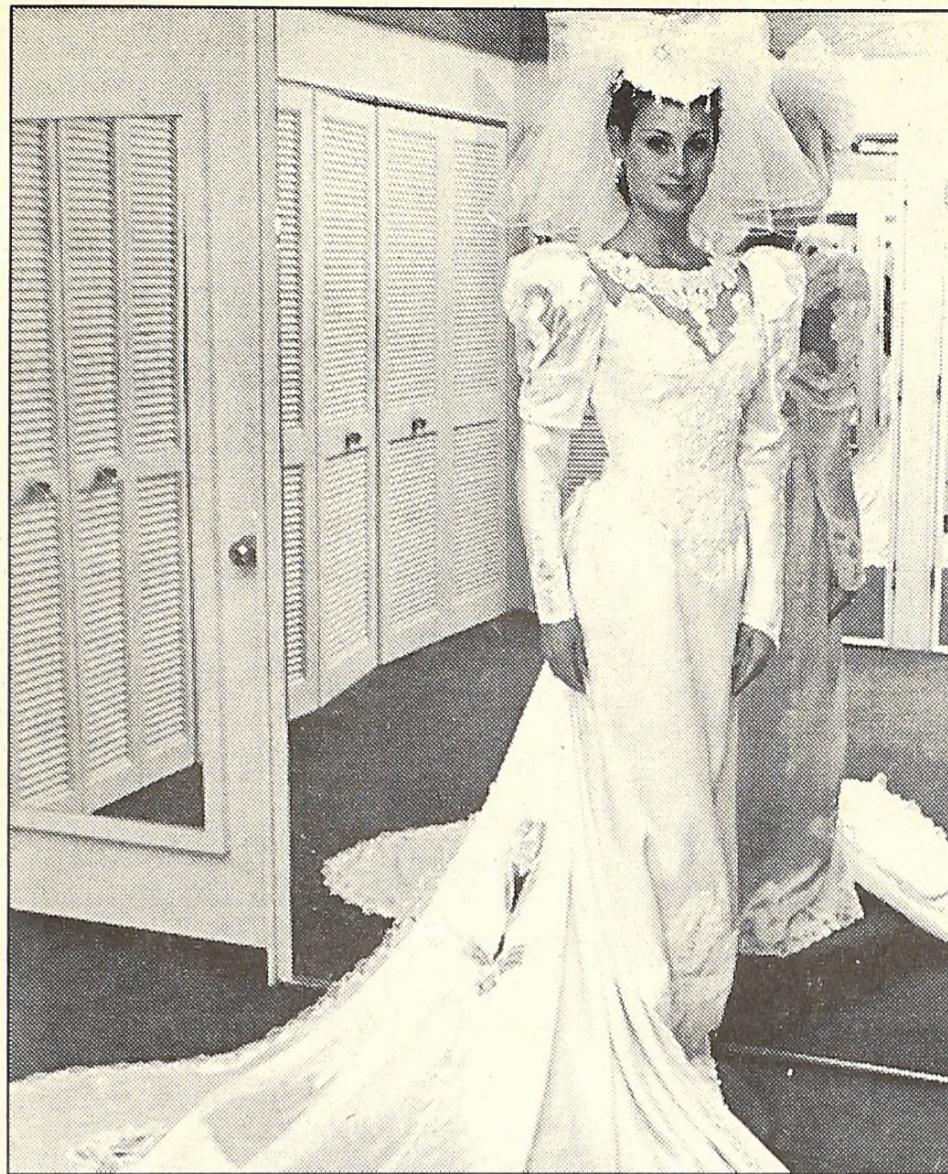
— Moliere

"Marriage, like the useful bee, builds a house and gathers sweetness from every flower."

— Taylor

"God did not make woman from man's head, that she should rule over him; nor from his feet, that she should be his slave; but from his side, that she should be near his heart."

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Attendants' attire can be varied as shown by these two couples.

Customs differ from country to country

Wedding celebrations differ from country to country, and sometimes, they are borrowed and adapted for

use in American weddings.

Here are some of the wedding cus-

toms of other cultures:

- Italian — sugared almonds are given as favors.
- Austrian — the bride weaves myrtle, known as the flower of life, into her veil or crown.
- Polish — guests pay to dance the "dollar dance" with the bride who carries a small purse in which to place the money.
- Irish — a piece of fine Irish lace is sewn into the hem of the bride's gown for good luck.
- Hawaiian — the bride wears six or seven leis of tiny white flowers around her neck and a crown of flowers in her hair.
- German — the bride often wears an heirloom gown. At the reception, guests throw special plates on the floor, and as the groom sweeps up the broken plates, guests "buy" dances with the bride.
- Czechoslovakian — wreaths of rosemary, signifying remembrance of

the bride's family and her loyalty to her husband, are worn by the bride.

- English — old-fashioned fruit cake is served.
- Finnish and French — laurel leaves, representing fertility, are laid outside as a bridal path.
- Scottish — bagpipe players entertain before the ceremony and reception.
- Spanish — the groom gives 13 coins to the bride to signify that he can support her.
- African — some tribes bind the wrists of the bride and groom together with braided grass, and in Kenya, fertility necklaces and swords are given to the couple.
- Mexican — a prayer book, rosary and kneeling pillow are often given to the couple by their godparents.
- Japanese — the bride's and groom's families give elaborate favors to guests.

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Weddings — the second time around

There is no reason that a second-time bride cannot have as elegant and meaningful wedding celebration as one who marries for the first time.

The only remaining taboo is that she not wear a veil and train. Many brides choose an off-white or pale pastel gown for their second wedding, and include their children in the wedding party.

The wedding can be staged in a church, in the clergyman's office or at a private home. Weather permitting, an outdoor ceremony is appropriate.

Generally, the "giving away" part of the second wedding ceremony is dispensed with, but the bride can walk down the aisle with her father or another male relative, if she wishes. A wedding breakfast, brunch or luncheon can follow or the couple may choose to have a reception.

Usually, there is not a bridal shower for the second-time bride, but her close friends may choose to give her one. This is a practical decision — as well as one of etiquette — because the bride and groom probably have

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all of the essentials for housekeeping.

If the bride's parents gave her an elaborate first wedding, they are not expected to do so for the second marriage. The couple assume their own wedding expenses.

And, as for divorced parents of the bride or groom, they must put aside their resentments and past hurts and participate in the wedding ceremony with the best possible show of good will for the bridal couple. After all, who wants to be remembered as the sullen, sulky parent who refused to cooperate with the wedding plans or the one who created an unpleasant scene at the reception?



A veil adds a touch of classic elegance.

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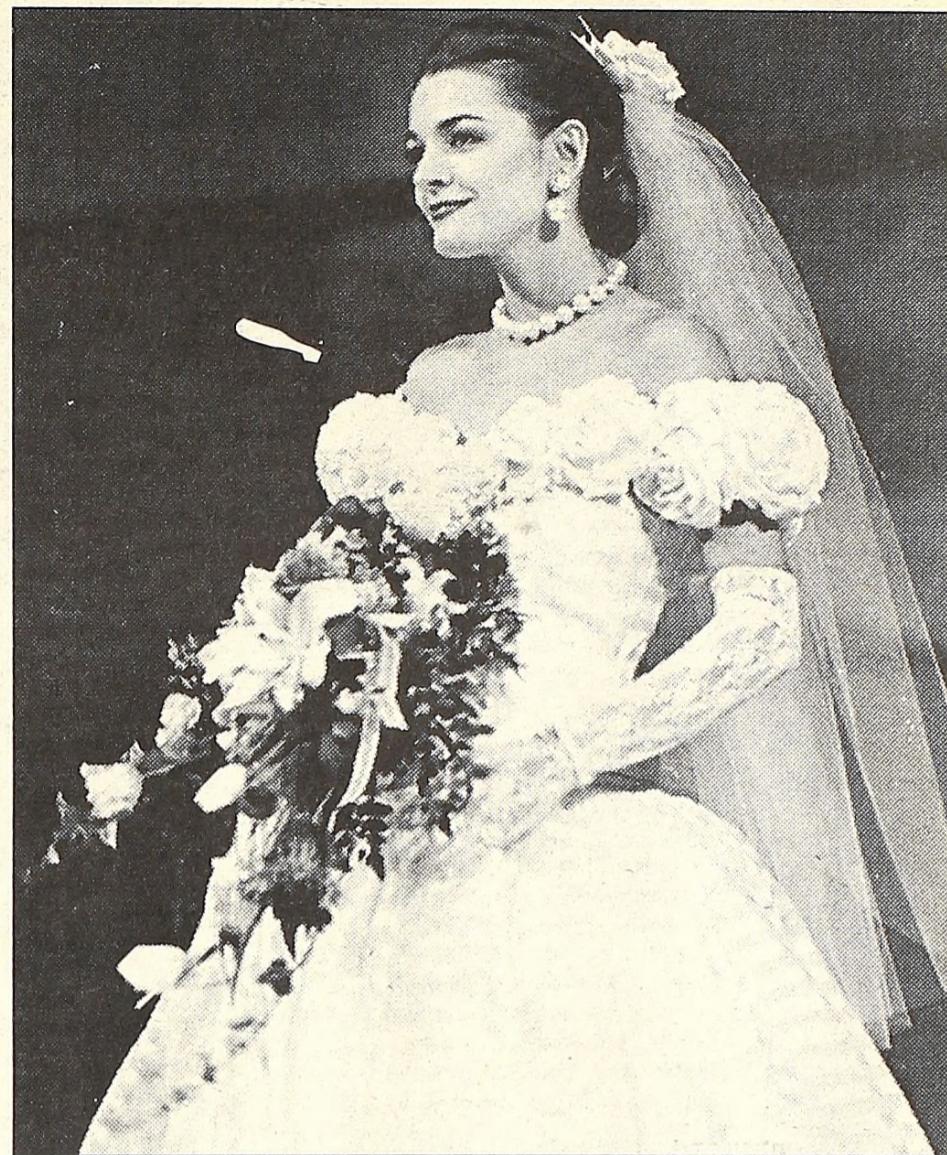
between newlyweds and guests. In the Elizabethan era, small cakes were piled up and the bride and groom had to kiss without the stack falling.

Attendants' attire is usually very similar. That is because in ancient times it was common for the bride, groom and members of the wedding party to walk to church. Afraid that a rejected suitor would spot the couple and put a curse on them — or worse — the groom's friends wore clothes almost identical to his and the bride's friends dressed themselves like her.

Bouquet and boutonniers once were made of pungent herbs like thyme and garlic — not flowers. The smell was to scare away any bad fairies eying the bridal party.

Blue satin garter in ancient times was worn by brides as a symbol of fidelity. The garter throwing derived from a ritual called "flinging the stocking."

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The Gagnon's were married Dec. 31, 1956 at Newburg Methodist Church of Livonia. Mrs. Gagnon is the former Jackie Sue Jannett, daughter of Mae Jannett of Beckemeyer, Ill. and the late Monk Jannett and the daughter of Norma and Lloyd Oberg of Vandalia, Ill. Jackie attended Beckemeyer Grade School and Breese

High School before moving to Michigan in 1954. She has been an employee of Able Party Rental in Westland for the last 25 years.

Mr. Gagnon is the son of the late Virgil and Harriet Gagnon of Westland. He is a retired Ford Motor Company employee currently residing in Wayne. The couple has three children, Rayma Laws, Wayne; Pamela (Grant) Sherman, Sylvan Lake; and Scott Gagnon, Wayne. Grandchildren are Nicole and Jason.



A flowered tiara complements this young bride.

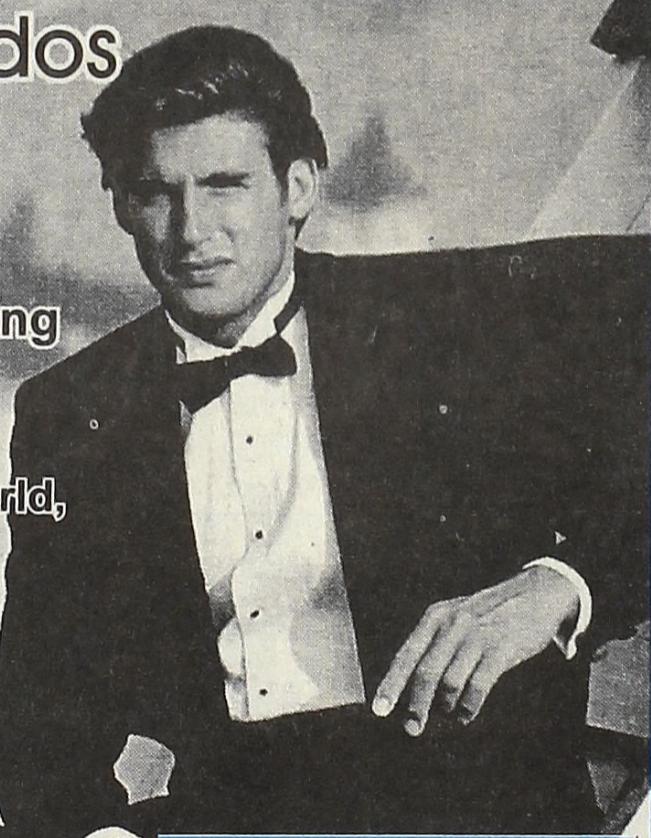
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